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OR THE
Sea-Mans Instructor.**

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Several Theoretical and Practical
Parts of that ART,**

AS ALSO,
**Some necessary Points of the ENTHUSIASM
of a Carefull Sea-man,**
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Unto the Right Honorable
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And so the Rest of the Honorable Council
of the City of DUNDEE.



RIGHT HONORABLE.

I have made bold
to present Your HONORS with the Patronage
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Epistle Dedicatory.

of this small Treatise, being a plain Discourse upon that excellent Art of NAVIGATION, which is ranked amongst the chiefest of all those Arts that are most profitable for the Common-Wealth; Tea, without which Noble Art, TRADE would languish and decay. Indeed, there be very few Kingdomes, (much less this our own Ancient-KINGDOM) that can boast of Self-sufficiency in all Necessaries for the Maintenance of their Inhabitants; for, if they abound in one Thing, they are still deficient into another: Trade and Commerce with other Nations must therefore be maintained, which cannot well be done, without this Excellent Art of NAVIGATION. Hence it is, that in the most flourishing Kingdomes of the World, (especially in our Neighbouring-Nation) This Noble ART, is amongst all others, first noticed and encouraged.

The Pleasure and Profitableness of this Rare Art, has invited very many to its Study, and my Self amongst the rest; having indeed pleyed the same from my Youth: What Progress I have made therein, shall leave the same for others to judge; however, I alwayes esteem'd it my Duty, to Communicate any Knowledge, I had acquir'd (by the Blessing of the Almighty) in this Noble Art, for the Benefit of my loving Countrey-Men, as in this small Treatise will be known: Having seriously considered, that we were not born to live only to our selves, but also concern the Good of each other.

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Epistle Dedicatore.

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There are Two Grand Reasons, which moved Me to Present Your Hs. with the Patronage of this small Treatise, First, seeing Divine Providence hath so Ordered You to bear the Office of Magistracy in this Loyall-CITY, under whose happy Conduct, (by the Blessing of the Almighty) we owe much of our Peace. And Lastly, knowing that there are not a few amongst your Honorable Wisedomes, who have attained to Great Skill in this Noble Art: so that You are most capable to Patronise, and shelter this small-Treatise from Envy and blinde Ignorance.

It is indeed a Mean-Offering to present unto Your Honors, but since it is Offered (in all Humanity) with the Greatest Affection of Your Servant and Citizen, Who relyeth upon Your Favour, Expecting Your Hs. will not Reject the Meanness of the Offering, because of the Weakness of the Offerer: For the Great MAGISTRATE of Heaven and Earth doth Regard Mean-Things, when Offered with a willing Mynd.

Accept Therefore, (RIGHT HONORABLE) this Testimony of my Humble Affection in Good Part, Who shall still Pray the Almighty GOD for to bless Your Honorable Wisedomes, and this Loyall CITY, with all Grace, Peace, and Eternall Felicity; Remaining Ever,

TO YOUR HONORS

Most Humble and Obedient Son
JOHN MARSHALL

To all Lovers of NAVIGATION.

Courteous Reader.

YOU may be surprised with wonder, that I should appear in Print, especially on this subject, which hath been handled accurately by the most Learned in this rare Art of NAVIGATION. To thrust out this Treatise now, may seem also needless, as to light a pony-Candle when the Sun shineth; but I have three things to say for my self; First, that I cannot in Reason be condemned, except those also be condemned who have written before me, even since the first Inventors of this Noble A R T; who have but added to the Treatises which were then in the World: and though many have already written on this Excellent Art, to their never dying Fame, yet they have done the same in great Volumes which wold as to their bulk, terrify Young Beginners in Navigation. I designed only a Compend for the Instruction of those that are unskillfull, wherein I have laboured in alse great clearness and perspicuity as I could, to set down every thing that is necessary for NAVIGATION IN COASTING Together with some certain Points of a CARE FULL SEA-MAN. If it be profitable for the end, I have my design; and finally, if you will search you may find some things handled even in this small Treatise.

To the Ingenious Reader.

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Treatise, which you will not readily meet with in greater Volumes I hope ye will not think the less of this small Treatise (as some may be ready to do) because I am your Country-Man, for if you will seriously consider, we were never inferior to any Nation, in anything, save in the Mathematicks: and yet not altogether in that, for, who amongst all the Mathematicians in Europe, hath yet paralleled our MERCISTON, see Vincent Wing, in his Harmonicon Coeleste, the beginning of his first book chap. 5. And Richard Norwood in his Trigonometrie, his preface to the Reader, 2. Book, and 2. Chapter; yea, and many others, &c. I hope, seeing it is a Testimony of my good will shown to you, who love this Rare A.R.T., you will accept of it in good part, and wish well to the Author.

Who is your Servant,
John Marr.

From my House at DUNDEE.
the sixth of April, 1683:

The



The Thirty-two Points of the Mariners Compas.

North,	Their Opposite Points.	South,
N. by E.		S. by W.
N. N. E.		S. S. W.
N. E. by N.		W. by S.
N. E.		S. W.
N. E. by E.		S. W. by W.
E. N. E.		W. S. W.
E. by N.		W. by S.
East.		W. est.
E. by S.		W. by N.
E. S. E.		W. N. W.
S. E. by E.		N. W. by W.
S. E.		N. W.
S. E. by S.		N. W. by N.
S. S. E.		N. N. W.
S. by E.		N. by W.

CHAP. I.

Of the Mariners Compass,

THE Mariners Compass, is one of the
finest Inventions in Navigation,
and may be justly ranked amongst
the greatest Wonders that this
World affords; and deserves well to be un-
derstood by all that are Students and Practi-
tioners in that Art: for by it, Men may be
directed in their Affairs from Land to Land,
and by this, the Glorious Gospel hath been con-
veyed to the most places of the World: also
Trade and Traffique hath been promoted to
the remotest corners of the Earth: now where-
as for finding out the compass, and the
vertues of it, many have lately handled it,
hast thou forbear in forming only desirous
to cast a little of those things that are most
usefull in Navigation, as to Casting, and to
take them as plain, and easie as possible, that
they may be understood by such as most
desire to know them.

First, the Compass was divided into four parts;

commonly called, the 4 Cardinal Points, to wit, North, South, East, West; now the other 28 Points, have all their Denominations of Names from the said 4 Cardinal Points. There is always 7 points
 in every Quarter, which have their Names from the two Cardinal Points that make the Quarters, for Example; all the 7 points betwixt North and East, borrows their names from the North and East, and that according to their Names or Places, to the North and other Quarters, vid 101 : In like manner,
 Likewise, there are 12 points of the same
 sort, equally opposite to the other 4, and similarly, to the opposite in their Places. So are the others
 in their Names, as the 7 points betwixt
 to South South West, and, East North East
 to West South West, and the like with
 the other 4 points over them, so to say of
 the 12 others for the dividing, and subdividing
 of the compass, I shall here treat of one quarter
 only, and the ingenuous Reader may understand
 the other 3 quarters, they having also
 the same rule for dividing, and subdividing
 of them, as also, their names according to
 their places.

First, betwixt the points *North* and *East*,
 is the point *North-East*, as this point divideth
East that quarter right in two, so it borroweth
 both the names of both for its name; so con-
 sequently, betwixt *North* and *North-East* is
 the point *North-North-East*, now as this
 point divideth that eight part right in two, so
 doth borroweth the names of both for its name,
 meed so doth its opposit point *South-South-West*
 giveth it divideth that eight part, (to wit) *South*
 and *South-West* right in two, so it borroweth
 the names of both for its name: Likewise
 the point *East-North-East*, stands right in the
 middle betwixt *East* and *North-East*; and so
 borrowes the names of both for its name, so
 consequently its opposite point *West-South-
 West* stands right in the midst betwixt *West*
 and *South-West*, and so borroweth the names
 of both for its name.

Thus the *Compass* being in 16 parts, each
 part being again divided in two, brings
 the *Compass* in 32 parts: Now for the deno-
 minations of the last 16 points of the *Compass*,
 follow, that the 4 *Cardinal*, and 4 *Collaterall*,
 commonly called the 8 great points of the
Compass, (spoke to before) have two of
 the

the last 16 points to guard (as it were) each one of them , which I shall shew by three Examples , which to the ingenious will be sufficient for all .

North hath one upon each side of it , that upon the *West* side is called *North by West* , and that upon the *East* side is called *North by East* both borrowing their names from *North* so it is with their opposite points , *South* & *East* , and *South by West* , both borrowing their names from *South* : Likewise , *North East* hath one upon each side of it , that upon the *North* side is named *North East by North* , and that upon the *East* side is named *North East by East* both borrowing their names from *North East* ; so their opposite points *South* . *West* , *South* , and *South-West* by *West* , both borrowing their names from *South-West* : Likewise , *East* hath one upon each side therof , that upon the *North* side is named *East by North* , and that upon the *South* side , *East by South* both borrowing their names from *East* , their opposite points *West* by *South* , and *West* by *North* , both borrowing their names from *West* , and the like of the rest .

The Compass is Geometrically divided into

The Circle being divided in 4 parts, each fourth part being again divided in two, brings the *Compass* in eight parts; each 8 part being again divided in two, brings the *Compass* in 16 parts: and lastly, each sixteenth part being again divided in two, brings the *Compass* in 32 parts. Now if you divide (as aforesaid) any half of the *Compass* in 16 parts, lay a ruler from them by the Center and that will divide the other half in the same parts.

C H A P. I I.

Of finding the hour of the Day by the Sun.

The next thing to be learned, is that which we commonly call to bring 32 to 24, that is, the 32 points of the *Compass* to 24 hours, each point of the *Compass* being $\frac{1}{3}$ of an hour, (as to tyme) now 32 times $\frac{1}{3}$ is 24 whole, argue then, 16 points is 12 hours, and 8 points is 6 hours, and 4 points 3 hours and 2 points one hour and a half: now the Sun being at our *Meridian*, (as in North Latitude) at North maketh midnight, and at South maketh mid-day; So that as the Sun is distant from the said North or South point of

the Meridian, is Calculated (or rather
guessed) the hour of the day.

It is vulgarly said, that if a North Sun
make midnight, then North-East must make
3 in the morning; and East 6, and South-East
9, and so forth: So that every 4 points of
the Compass is 3 hours of tyme, so conse-
quently a North-North-East Sun is one hour
and a half in the morning, and East-North-
East 4 hours and a half, and East-South-East
7 and a half, and South-South-East, 10 and
a half; so that each 2 points is one and a
half hour as aforesaid, so likewise, a
North by East Sun makes 3 quarters in the
morning, and North-East by North 2 hours
1 quarter, North-East by East 3 hours 3
quarters, East by North 5 hours 1 quarter,
and East by South 6 hours 3 quarters, and
so of the rest to South.

And what ever hour any of these make
in the morning, their opposite point's make
the same in the afternoon: Example, a North-
East Sun makes 3 hours in the morning, and
its opposite point being South-West makes 3
in the afternoon, and East 6 in the morning
and West 6 at night, and South-East 9 in the
morning.

morning, and North West at night, and so
of the rest.

Although this rule for finding the hour of
the day by plying the Sun with the Compass,
be received by many for a truth, yet these
acquainted in the Sphears and Dialling,
knowes it to be far from the truth, except
in places near the Poles: the Equinoctiall be-
ing in the Horizon; for there the Sun moveth
parallel to the pointing of the Compass; but
all knowes that the daily motion of the Sun
is parallel to the Equinoctiall; how can it be
then, that the Compass which pointeth ouer
any object as it dovereth Horizontally (which
pointes motion, quarters of an hour) shoule
have the same rule for Calculation, when
the said object reacheth the Horizon at oblique
angles, as both Sun, Moon and Stars do by an
angle equal to the Complemente the Latitude
There are but two ways by Instruments
that the Mariner at Sea by the Caleendar Re-
adie knowes the hour of the day or night; one
way by the Altitude, and the other by
the Azimut; now those near the Poles
knowes best the hour of the day or night by
the Azimut; and can make but little use of
the

the skind to that effect: so those near the
Equinoctial, knowes best the hour of the day
or night by the Sun or Stars high, and can he
make but little or no use of the Azimuth.
The Azimuth of the Sun (or of any other
object) is the Arch of the Horizon that
is intercepted between the Meridian and the
Vertical Line passing through the Sun or
any other object; and it is found out by the
bearing of them by the Compass; and the Ap-
petior height of any thing, is an Arch of the Eq-
uator contained betwixt the said object
and the Horizon which arch is common with
it found as far by severall Instruments or the
Compass for that end; as Forebasse, Jacob
Staff, Quadrant, and other such Instru-
ments; now at the Poles, every point of the
Compass as to the motion of the Sun, is in
quinticks of an hour, so the Sun each 3 quarters
of an hour ingreth Horizontally 11 degre
by this whiche is a point of the Compass al-
ways; but at the Equinoctiall the Sun so
motions in a straight line towards the Zenith,
most alike to his motion Horizontally at the
Poles in a 3 degrees each hour, and his mo-
tion

the motion at the Equinoctial being by the Lines
 day almeconterath (or mounting ways) near
 can the same, yea directly 15 degrees where the
 Latitude and Declination are alike: so that
 the rule of either cannot hold. I shall not
 stay here to prove this, for he that's but a
 Chyld in ~~art~~ knowes it, notwithstanding
 over all the North Seas, in March
 and September, this common rule will hold
 appear, because the Sun is then near the
 Equinoctiall: as also, the most part of our
 Winter, because the Sun ryseth and setteth
 within 3 or 4 hours of the Meridian, but in
 the moneths of April, May, June, July,
 August, this rule differeth sometymes half
 an hour, 3 quarters, and a whole houre, as
 in the midst of June, the Sun being East
 makes 7 in the morning, and a West Sun
 about night; which is one houre of difference
 from the foresaid rule; the rest of the mon-
 eths not so much, as they are nearer to
 September or March.

Also the Moon being in those signs (where
 in the Sun was the moneths foresaid) hath
 the same effect, and any who pleasereth may
 prove this at Sea and Shore both, as the
 Sun

Sun about the midſt of *June* being pyledd
due *Eaſt*, within 10 glafs tyme ſhall come ſ
to the *Meridiān*, and the full *Moons* in *De
cember* the *Taine*; for the *Moon* then fal-
leth to be in *Northern Signs*. Alſo, if you
pon any exact *Dyall*, you pyle the *Sun* due
Eaſt (at the tyme aforesaid) and then look he
to the shadow amo'gſt the hour lines, you ſhall
ſtill find it about 7 hours in the morning, he
and the *Taine* with the *Full-Moons* in *De
cember* in *Evening*.

How needfull is the knowledge of this to
all, because of our many dry *Harbours* and
barred *Rivers* in our *British Coast*: for as it doth
become any Master who hath a *Ship* of
any great draught and is mynded to any
dry *Harbour* or barred *River* to take the
Righeſt water with him, notwithstanding it
when he expects the highest water, he may
possibly find it a foot or two fallen; for know
whofover mistaketh the tyme, mistaketh the
alſo the tyde: For Example, there is a *Ship* ap-
Intended to a dry *Harbour*, now it is knowne im
to the Master that at high water, there is but
little more Water then the *Ship* drawes, al
that he is neceſſitate to attend *Fall Sea*: no

yle by calculation he finds it will be Fall Sea at
 omis hours in the morning, and therefore in-
 Dutch'd not to approach the Harbour till he find
 fal the Sun at East, expecting it then 6 hours,
 if up and so then attempts the Harbour; now if
 due it be in the moneths of May, June or July,
 ooke he shall assuredly meet with a foot or two
 you fallen water; farre it is latter in the day by an
 hour then was expected; for as I proved be-
 fore, that an East Sun about these rymes
 maketh about 7 acloak; now what great a-
 stazement will any Master be in, when he
 finds no water, let Country-men judge,
 s i for as they can make no use of their beasts
 o wanting lyfe, no more can we with our
 ships when we have no water to swim them,
 the ad to cast in my Mire as to the helping this
 inconvenience. I have made this following
 Table, whereby the hour of the day may be
 knownen (with very little error) over all
 the North Seas; for every tenth, twentieh,
 and fift days of the moneths foresaid, be-
 ing Calculated for the middle of the North
 Seas, for the Latitude of 56 deg. 00 min.
 and may serve for all of it.

A Table, shewing the time the Sun is from the Meridian, depending upon several points of the Compass, from the 6th of April, to the 21 of August.

Use the former Table Table 1000,
Admit the Sun be pyled East about the
10 day of April, or the 11 day of August,
is demanded the hour of the day.

First, look into the Table at the left hand
for April the 10, and August the 11, and
in the Common Angle under East and West,
is 5 hours 39 minutes, which sheweth that the
Sun being East, or West, will be 5 hours
39 minutes from the Meridian; so that
an East Sun (at that time) makes 31 mi-
nutes past 6 in the morning, and a West Sun
39 minutes past 5 in the afternoon.

A second Example, Admit the Sun be
pyled at East by North, the 1. or 39 of
June, is demanded the hour of the day.

First, look into the Table for June the 1.
and 20, and in the common Angle under
East by North, and West by North, is 5
hours 55 minutes, which sheweth, that the
Sun being either East by North, or West
by North, will be 5 hours 55 minutes from
the Meridian; so that an East by North Sun
at that time, is 5 minutes past 6 in the morning,
and a West by North Sun, will make 55 mi-
nutes past 5 at nights, and the like with

any other; Although for brevities sake, I have Calculated this Table for every first, fourth, and twelfth dayes of the moneths foreaid, yet it may serve for any other daye betwix them, without any great error.

Note, That as a South-East Sun in Summer makes the day later then by the Common Rule, so a South-East Sun in Winter is earlier, making in the day then by the Common Rule, for a South-East Sun in December, will make about 40 minutes past 8 in the morning, so that it is not so late of the day by 20 minutes as the Common Rule would make it: I leave the rest to your own

Precise: Now, Secondly, that in South Latitude the Sun doth rise to the North East of the Meridian at midday, and being as North East will make the former time of the day, than the Sun being South-East doth to us, and the Sun being North-West, giveth the latter time of the day, that a South-West Sun maketh from the Sunne East, is evident from the following Table.

C H A P. III.

of the Golden Number.

The Golden Number or Prime, is a Circuitarie Revolution of 19 Years, in which tyme it hath been Antiently supposed that the Sun and Moon do make all their variety of Aspects one to another; Example, in any Year, or in any day of the moone see how old the Moon is, now the same day of the Month, and the same day of the Month shall not cryst to be in one day, till the same day 19 Years.

The way to find it, is by dividing the Year of our Lord by 19, and what remaineth add one to it, and that is the Golden Number. As for Example, In the Year 1682 I find the Golden Number to be 11, for having divided the Year by 19 as aforesaid, I find 88 in the Quotient and 10 remaining, which sheweth that there are 88 Golden Numbers past their Courses since the first Year of oure blessed Saviour, and the Remainder being 11 of a new one. Now seeing that the Golden Number happed to be one that Year, therefore is always one added.

added to the Remainder, as in this making
11 for the Golden Number, this number
amounteth one every Year till it be 19, and
so beginneth again. It's of use to find
the Epact.

C H A P. I V. *Of the Epact.*

The Epact is an odd number of dayes be-
ing 11, which the Solar Year hath more
then the Lunar Year.

The Solar Year of 12 moneths containeth
355 dayes 6 hours, and the Lunar or 12
Moons contain 354 dayes 6 hours, So that
there is 11 dayes of difference : for if the
Solar year and 12 Moons were alike there
would be no Epact.

The way to find this Epact, for any year
is this, and first the Golden Number, (as in
the former) and having the Golden Num-
ber multiply it by 11, and divide that pro-
duct by 19, and what remains is the Epact
in the year. In the foresaid Year 1681
the Golden Number being 11, I multiply
it by 11, and the product is 121, the
which by 19, and the Quotient is 4;

ing that 4 Epochs hath run away in Moons since this Golden Number did begin ; and the remainder being 1 of a new one.

There is another way to find this Epoch, and it is thus , add to what was last Year 1, and if this sume surmount not 30 it is the Epoch, but if it surmount 30, what is over 30 is the Epoch : As for Example, in the Year 1682, the Epoch is 1, and the Year 1683 being 11 more makes it to be 12, and the Year 1684 being 11 more makes it to be 23, and so in the Year 1685 it will be 4, for 23 and 1 it is 34, and so subtracting 30 there remaineth 4 for the Epoch.

Note, Secondly, that this Epoch every 5 Year runs away in a Moon and 3 dayes more, That is, every 36 moneths (or 3 Year) hath 37 Moons and 3 dayes.

Note, That this Epoch changeth not till March: By the Epoch and day of the Month is found the age of the Moon, as shall be shwon hereafter.

C H A P. V.

Of the LEAP-YEAR.

The Leap Year being every 4th Year, is caused by the odd six hours that every

Year hath more then 365 dayes ; the Sunne
 (or the Earth as *Copernicus* would have it)
 passeth from some point of the Ecliptick
 and in 365 dayes 6 hour (or more exacte about
 365 dayes 5 hours 49 minutes) he returneth
 to the same point again ; now these odd
 6 hours (for I speake avoyding fractions)
 in 4 Years time , amounteth to a natural day
 which causeth every fourth Year or Leap-Year
 to have 366 dayes , and this day is alwaies
 given to the moneth of *February*, so that
 every Leap-Year it hath 29 dayes.

Now whether it be Leap-Year, or any of
 the other three , is commonly found by di-
 viding the Year of our Lord by 4, and if no
 thing remain , it is Leap-Year ; and if one
 remain , it is the first from the Leap-Year , and
 if two remain it is the second from the Leap-
 Year , and so of the third.

Which of these Years it is, is needfull to let
 be known to him who is taking the Sunnes
Meridian-Altitude, to know the Latitude
 because of the Suns declination.

CHAP. VI

To finde the SUNDAY LETTER.

To finde the Sunday Letter, add to the Year

of our Lord its 4th part and 4, and divide it by that sume by 7, and what remains subtract from 7, and what then remains accounted from A to G is the Sunday Letter; but if the Leap Year hath two Letters, the Letter found by the former rule serveth from St. Mathias Day to the Years End, the day ther following in order from A to G serveth from the new Year to St. Mathias Day. Take Example for both.

In the Year of our Lord 1682, is demanded the Sunday Letter.

The Year 1682
its 4th part omitting Fractions 430
and 2106
This I divide by 7, and there remaineth 6, which 6 I subtract from 7, and there remaineth 1, which sheweth the Sunday Letter to be A, as being the first in order to the Alphabet.

A second Example. In the Year 1684 is demanded the Sunday Letter. The former total (made up of the Year its Quarter and a being 2109) I divide by 7, and there remains 2; which 2 I subtract from 7, and

there remains 5, now 5 reckoned according to the order of the Alphabet from A, is which letter E serveth from St. Mathew Day to the Years End, and F from the New Years day to St. Maibias.

Its of use by having the day of the Month to find the day of the Week, and by the knowing the day of the Week, to find the day of the Month, and these may be done by the help of the Common Kalendar.

It is demanded what day of the Week is the 7 day of February 1682, First, find the Sunday Letter for that Year (which in the common Kalendar is called the Dominical Letter) to be A, then I look in the Common Tables, where is Calculated the Sunne Place, Declination, and Day of the Month; and in the common Angle of the Week Dayes, with the Dayes of the Month, I find that the 7 day of February hath for the Letter C: now I consider that C is the second Letter from A, (the Sunday Letter) Therefore, the 7 day of this Month may be the second day from Sunday, Which is Tuesday: So that the 7 day of February 1682, is Tuesday.

Question the second. Let it be demanded what day of the Moneth is the second Sunday of March 1682.

First I find that the *Sunday Letter* for that Year is A, therefore I look in the Tables for *March Moneth*, and I find the second A to be in the common Angle with the 12 day of the Moneth, So that the second Sunday of March 1682, is the 12 day of the Moneth, and D being for *Wednesday*, is the 13 day, and so of the rest.

C H A P. V I I.

To find the day of the Moon, having the day of the Moneth, in any Year, past, present, or to come.

First find the *Epsit* for that Year wherein the *Question* is propounded, and add it to the day of the Moneth, together with one for every Moneth from *March*, to the Moneth wherein the *Question* is propounded, (including both Moneths) and if these 3 Numbers be less then 30, it is the *Age of the Moon*, but if these 3 Numbers exceed 30, (the Moneth having 31 dayes) what is over 30 is the *Age of the Moon*, but if

Moneth have but 30 dayes, what is over
 29 is the Age of the Moon, for the better
 understanding of which, take these two
 Examples.

August the 10 day 1682, is demanded	the Moons Age.
The Epact is 1.	10
The day of the Moneth	10
The Moneths from March	6
The Moons Age.	17

First I find the Epact for the Year fore-
 said, and I find it 1, to which I add the
 day of the Moneth 10, together with one
 for each Moneth from March which is 6,
 wherefore being added together as you see,
 gives 17 for the Moons Age : So I conclude
 therefore to day of August 1682 the Moon is
 17 dayes old, this will hold very near.

Another Example.
 In the Year 1689, October the 20 day, quan-
 tis demanded the Moons Age.

The Epact is 12.	12
The day of the Moneth	20
The Moneths from March	8
Subtract 10	10
The Moons Age	10

First I find the *Epacz* for the fortfaid Year to be 12, to which I add the day of the Moneth 20, together with one for every Moneth from March is 8, thicke 3 being added together (as you see) giveth 40, from which I subtract 30, and there remaineth 10 for the Moons Age, now if the Moneth had but 30 dayes I would have substracted 29, and so of the rest.

C H A P. V I I I.

To know the distance or wideness, betwixt Sun and Moon any day of her Age, in points or parts of a point of the Compass,

AS for the clearing of this, First, it is to be understood, that 60 minutes as to tyme is one hour, and so consequently 30 minutes half an hour, and 15 minutes a quarter of an hour; So 45 minutes 3 quarters of an hour; or a point of the Compasse. 4 minutes of time is one degree in length, and so 60 minutes (or one hour) in length is 15 degrees in length; so that 11 degrees 15 minutes in length is a point of the Mariners Compasse. A degree in length, is divided

In 60 parts, called *minutis*, the same with an hour of time.

These things being premised, I come now to Practice, which I shall discuss, calculating by time according to the ancient method thus, finding it an old Practice both sound and safest for the meanest Capacity.

At the *Change of the Moon*, the Sun and Moon being upon one point of the *Compass*, the Moon every day thereafter, till the 15 day, moveth away from the Sun by a point of the *Compass*, and a fifteenth part (or a point and 3 *minutis*) which is 48 miles in time. Now after the *Full Moon* till to the next *Change*, she cometh nearer the Sun a point and 3 *minutis* each day, a Sun equal to the motion she had at first from the Sun. For any thing moving round in a Circle at an equal motion, when once he it passeth the opposite point, it moveth thence towards the place it set from at first, and maketh the time of the motion of one *Semi Circle* alike to the time of the other. So we vulgarly say, that 15 dayes the Moon passeth from the Sun, and 15 dayes toward him again.

There are two ordinarie rules then, whereby you may easily know the distance of the Moon from the Sun by any cal day of her Age: the one serveth from the Change to the Full Moon, and the other, from the Full Moon to the next Change; which are these.

As many dayes as the Moon is old, so many points and 3 minuts is betwixt them, thus to the Full Moon, and after Full Moon, consider how many dayes the Moon hath to go to the next Change, and so many points and 3 minuts is betwixt them: I mean her Points of the Compass.

Also know, that to the Full Moon the Sun goeth foremost, and the Moon (as it were) following Him, and in the old of the Moon the Moon goeth foremost, and the Sun following Her.

Let the Moon be 10 dayes old, is demanded Her distance from the Sun: To clear this by Examples.

Seeing every dayes motion of the Moon from the Sun is one point and 3 minuts, 10 dayes motion, makes the Moon to be distant from the Sun 10 points 30 minutes.

Again, let the Moon be 22 dayes old, is demanded Her distance from the Sun: be For this first consider, she hath 8 dayes wh^t to go to the next Change so 8 dayes mo-
tion of the Moon to the Sun, is 8 points 24 minuts, which is the distance required.

By this we come to know the hour of the night by the Moon any day of Her de-
age, which I shall hold out here in pro-
pounding of 6 Questions, and answering
them; as 3 before the Full-Moon, and 3 and
after, which to the Ingenious will serve 12
for all.

C H A P. I X.

To know the hour of the Night, by
the Moons bearing of the Compas,
any day of her Age.

The first Question, Let the Moon be seen at South-West 5 dayes old, is demanded the hour of the Night.

First consider, that if the Moon be 5 dayes old, then there is 5 points 13 minutes be-
twixt Her and the Sun, and the Moon being at South-West, and the Sun 5 points 13 minuts before Her, makes the Sun

old, sun: be at West by North 15 minuts Northerly; yes which makes 7 aclock at night: so that a no-South-West Moon 5 dayes old, makes 7 a-24 clock at night.

The second Question, Admit the Moon
of be pylcd at West 12 dayes old, is demaun-
dered the hour of the Night.

For this, First consider, that there is 12
points 36 minuts betwixt the Sun and Moon,
and the Moon being at West, and the Sun
12 points 36 minuts before Her; which
makes the Sun to be at North East 36 mi-
nutes Easterly, and this makes 36 minuts past
3 in the morning.

The third Question, Suppose the Moon
be seen at South 10 dayes old, is demaun-
dered the hour of the Night, or as it is by
some propounded thus, when cometh the
Moon to the Meridian the 10 day?

For this, First consider, that there is 10
points 30 minuts betwixt Sun and Moon,
now the Moon being at South and the Sun
10 points 30 minuts before Her; makes the
Sun to be at West North-West 30 minutes
Northerly; which makes 8 aclock at night, the
time of the Moons coming to the Meridian
at South the 10 day.

A fourth Question. Let the Moon be at East 22 dayes old, is demanded the hour of the Night.

Consider here, that the Moon hath 8 dayes to go to the next Change, so argue, she is 3 points 24 minutes from the Sun, and the Sun (as it were) behinde Her: so reckon her 3 points 24 minutes from East to the left hand, and you will find the Sun to be some North, 24 minutes Westerly; which make the 36 minutes past 11 aclock at night, the time of the Moons being East the 22 daye by the Moon.

The fifth Question. Admit the Moon be South-East 20 dayes old, is demanded the hour of the night?

Here the Moon hath 10 dayes to go to the next Change, so argue, there is 10 points having 30 minutes betwixt them; reckon then 10 points 30 minutes from South-East to the left hand, and you will find the Sun some North-North-East 30 minutes Northerly which makes 11 aclock in the morning, which is the time required.

The sixth Question. When comes the Moon on the Meridian the 20 daye?

Reckon 10 points 30 minutes from South
towards the left hand, and this finds the Sun to
be at East-North-East 30 minutes Northern-
dayly; which makes 4 o'clock in the morning.

And thus, may any unlettered man
find the hour of the night by the Moon
having her Age.

There is also another way by Aritb-
erick to know the hour of the night by
the Moon, which is thus. Multiply the
Moons Age by 48, and divide that product
by 60, and the Quotient gives hours, and
the Remainder minutes of the time that the
Moon shall come to the Meridian: if it be
under 12 hours it is the time in the after-
noon but if it exceed 12 hours, subtract
12 hours from it, and what remains is the
hour in the morning.

So by this Rule, is found the time of
the Moons coming to the Meridian or South,
any day of Her Age.

If the Moon be to the West-wards of the
Meridian or South, then consider Her time
from the South, (every point of the Com-
pass 3 quarters of an hour), and add it to
the time she came to the South, and it then

sume exceed not 12 hours, it is the time in the afternoon: but if it exceeds 12 hours subtract 12 hours from it; and the remainder is the time in the morning.

But if the Moon be to the East-wards of the Meridian or South, consider Her time as aforesaid, and subtract it from the time of Her coming to the South, and the remainder is the time desired (if New Moon) in the afternoon, and if Old-Moon it is the time after midnight.

But if the time from the Meridian, exceed the time of Her coming to the Meridian, so that subtraction can not be made; then add 12 hours to the time of the Moons coming to the Meridian, and from that sum subtract the time from the Meridian, and the remainder (if New Moon) is the time required in the fore noon: and if (if Old-Moon) the time of the fore-night.

According to this method likewise I shall answere these Questions.

Let the Moon be 10 dayes old, is demanded the hour or time of Her coming to the Meridian? First, multiply by 48 and it is 480, the which divide by

and the Quotient gives 8, and nothing remaining, which is 8 aclock at night, the time demanded.

The second Question, Let the Moon be 20 dayes old, is demanded the hour or time of Her comeing to the Meridian.

First, multiply 20 by 48, and it gives 960, the which divide by 60, and the Quotient giveth 16, and nothing remaining; from which subtract 12 hours, (the time betwixt mid-day and mid-night) and there will remain 4, the time in the morning requyred.

So the Moon being 20 dayes old, she cometh to the Mersdian or South, at 4 o'clock in the morning: So much for finding the time of the Moons coming to the meridian.

Now it followeth how to find the hour and of the night or day, by the Moon, being applyed upon any other point of the Compass.

The third Question, Admit the Moon be seen at South-West 10 dayes old, is demanded the hour of the night.

First, by the former Rule, find the time of Her being South, which will be about

about 8 aclock at night, now seeing the Moon is 3 hours (for so is 4 points past the Meridian or South, therefore add one to 8 hours (the time of her being South) and it makes 11 at night, the time desired.

The fourth Question, Admit the Moon to be seen at West 12 dayes old, is demanded the hour of the night.

Find first the time of the Moons coming to the South, which will be about 3 hours 36 minutes past 9 at night, now seeing the Moon is at West, which is (commonly im- called) 6 hours from the South; so add 6 hours to 9 hours 36 minutes, and it is 15 hours 36 minutes, from which subtract 12 hours, and there remaineth 3 hours 36 minutes, the time in the morning desired: So that a West Moon 12 dayes old, makes 3 hours 36 minutes past 3 aclock in the morning.

The fifth Question, Suppose the Moon to be seen at South-East 20 dayes old, is demanded the hour of the night.

First, find the time of the Moons coming to the South, which will be about 12 hours aclock in the morning, now the Moon being the

South East, which is 3 hours from the Meridian or South, therefore, subtract 3 hours from 4 and their remains 1, the time in the morning desired.

The sixth Question, Admit the Moon be seen at East 18 dayes old, is demanded the hour of the Night.

First, find the time that the Moon cometh to the Meridian, and it will be found at 11 hours 4 minutes past 2 in the morning: Now the Moon being at East, is commonly called 6 hours from the Meridian, here the time from the Meridian, is more then the aday time that she came to the Meridian, therefore add 12 hours to the time of her coming to the Meridian, and it is 14 hours 24 minutes, from which subtract 6 hours, and so there remaineth 8 hours 24 minutes for the time at night desired, so that an East Moon 18 dayes old, maketh 24 minutes past 8 o'clock at night.

And so much for finding the hour of the night by the Moon, this will hold me without any great Error, except when the Moon is in the Northern Signs, for then the calculation will be as with the Sun.

For as I proved before, that any of the Celestiall Bodies making an Horizontal motion of a point of the Compas, was not 100 quarters of an hour, as in our Latitude; either Sun or Moon be in or near the signs of Gemini or Cancer; and be either the East or West, though they be 8 points from the Meridian, yet are they not 6 hours, but rather 5 hours, as in the former Table.

Therefore, if you would know the time of the night more exacte by the Moon, learn to know what Signe she is in, and then look into the former Table, what time from the Meridian the Sun was, when he was in the same Signe, and upon the same point of the Compass; for the like is to be understood with the Moon, though not altogether so, because of the Moons Latitude.

As for Example.

Let the Moon be seen at West 10 days old, and the Moon at that time, being near the Signs of Gemini and Cancer which let be the 20 degree of Gemini, is distributed the hour of the night.

By the former rule, you will find the Moon cometh to the Meridian at 8 clo-

clock at night. Secondly, consider the day of the Month, when the Sun was in the 20 degree of Gemini, (being the Moons place at present) and you will find it to be about the 30 day of May; Then enter the Table before, and you will find an East or West Sun, to be about 5 hours from the Meridian: so considering the Moon so big the same, therefore add 5 hours (the time betwixt West and the Meridian) so 8 hours the time she came to the Meridian, and it is 13 hours, then subtract 12 and there remaineth 1 which is the time in the morning desired.

G H A P. X.

To find the Sun and Moons place, at all times.

For understanding of this, you must observe the dayes of the Months, on which the Sun entereth the twelve Signs, which is thus.

Caries.	Taures.	Gemini.	Cancer.
March.	April.	May.	June.
2	9	19	20

<i>Leo.</i>	<i>Virgo.</i>	<i>Libra.</i>	<i>Scorpius.</i>	is
July.	August.	September.	October.	so
12	12	12	12	12
<i>Sagittarius.</i>	<i>Capricornus.</i>	<i>Aquarius.</i>	<i>Pisces.</i>	so
November.	December.	Januar.	Februar.	
11	10	9	8	of

Now having the day of the moneth
that the Sun entereth into any of the Signs,
you may easily know the degree of the
Suns place for each day thereafter.

As for Example, The 20 day of
May is demanded the Suns place.

By the former Table, you will find that
the Sun entered in Gemini the 10 day of
that Moneth, so then the 20 day is 10
dayes since, and by allowing one degree for
each day, maketh the Sun to be 10 degrees
in Gemini, which is the Suns place required.

A second Example, The 5 day of De
cember, is demanded the Suns place.

By the former Table also, you will find that
the Sun will enter Capricorn the 10 day of the
said moneth, so Argue he hath 5 degrees to
spend of the former Sign, (by allowing one
degree for each day) which makes the Sun to
be 25 degrees in Sagittarius, (for 30 degr-

is a Sign) so this is the Suns place required
for that day.

And thus, you may find the Suns place
for any day through out the Year.

Now it followeth, to know the degree
of the Sign the Moon is in, called the
Moons place.

Know, that the Moon passeth through
the 12 Signs in 27 dayes 8 hours, so that
every dayes motion of the Moon, is 13
degrees 11 minutes, which motion is to be
reckned according to the succession of
the Signs: know also, that at the Change
of the Moon, we commonly reckon the
Moons place to be the same with the Sun
for at that time: Therefore if ye would find
out the Moons place any day of her Age,
find first the day of the Month she changed
last, and remark the degree of the Suns place
that day, for it is the Moons place also,

Then from that degree, count 13 degrees
11 minutes for each day of the Moons Age
thereafter, (according to the succession
of the Signs) so have you the Moons place.

As for Example. The 7 day of March
1682, the Moon being then about 9 dayes

old, is demanded the Moons place.

First, consider the day of the Moon Change, and you will find it to be the 26 day of February, (or thereby) for if the Moon be 9 dayes old the 7 day of March then she changed the 26 of February; at which time, the Sun and Moon was in the 18 degree of Pisces: Now the Moon having 9 dayes motion since, at 13 degrees 10 minutes for each day, is 118 degrees 39 minutes, which 118 degrees (for I omit the minutes) must be accounted from the 18 degree of Pisces, (the Moons place at the Change) and the Moon will be found to be 16 degrees in Cancer, which is accounted thus.

Add 18 degrees to 118, and it is 136 degrees, which is accounted from the first of Pisces which being divided by 30, gives in 4 Signs 16 degrees, the which being accounted from the first of Pisces, makes the Moon to be in the 16 degree of the Sign Cancer, which is the Moons place required.

And after this manner, may you find the Moons place at any time; you may also to account for every 7 dayes of the Month 3 Signs, and for 14 dayes 6 Signs;

proportionally this will hold near.
 For remarc the First quarter Moon in
 March, and the Full Moon in December,
 and the Last quarter Moon in September, all
 be about the Signs of Gemini and Cancer;
 therefore, about these times, the Moon
 riseth about North-East, and setteth North-
 West, and shineth near 17 hours and a half
 from rysing to setting: So consequently,
 the Last quarter Moons in March, the Full
 Moons in June, and the First quarter Moon
 in September, is alwayes about the Signs
 Sagittarius and Capricornus, and ryseth
 about these times, near South-East, and
 setteth South-West, and shineth about 12
 hours.

So here you see, that when the Moon
 in Northern Signs, she riseth to the North-
 wards of the East, and setteth to the North-
 wards of the West: And being in Southern
 signs, she riseth to the South-wards of the
 West, and setteth to the South-wards of
 the East; the rysing and setting Points, be-
 ing alwayes alike distant from the Meridian.

So whether Sun, Moon, or Stars, North
 Declination, hath North Amplitude: And
 whereas

whereas it is vulgarly said, that if the Moon be going high, it is a token of storm weather, as if it were alwayes bad weather when the Moon is in Northern Signs. I find no reason why this is so believed except it be thus, the greatest benefit we have of the Moons light, is from the first quarter to the last, (or from the 8 day to the 22) and when are we more desirous of the benefit of this light, then in the moneths of November, December, January which three moneths, the Moon falleth to be in Northern Signs when she is best lighted, and commonly, in these three moneths most of our Winter-Gusts falls out.

And so much for finding the place of the Moon, in so far as it is necessar for Sumer to know the hour of the night, for understanding Her Amplitude, and time of Rysing, take this following Table.

Here followeth a Table, showing the Moons Amplitude, and time of Rysing and Setting, to every 24th part of the Ecliptick: for the Latitude of
Lat. 55 deg. 00 min. North.

The Moon in the six
Northern Signs.

Riseth, Setsib, before or
after the Meridiā.

ho. mī.

The Moon being in, or near the	first of Aries and Libra,	East,	West.	6.00.
	middle of Aries and Virgo,	E. by N.	W. by N	6.36.
	first of Taurus and Vigo,	E. by N. h. N.	W. by N h. N.	7.12.
	midle of Taurus and Leo,	E. N. E. h. N.	W. N. W. h. N.	7.46.
	first of Gemini and Leo,	N.E. by E. h. N.	N.W. by W. h. N.	8.12.
	midle of Gemini and Cancer,	N. E. q. E.	N. W. q. W.	8.31.
	first of Cancer.	N.E.	N.W.	8.39.

The Moon in the six
Southern Signs.

Riseth, Setsib, before or
after the Meridiā.

ho. mī.

The Moon being in, or near the	middle of Libra and Pisces,	East by south,	West by south,	5.24.
	first of Scorpio and Pisces,	E. by S. h. S.	W. by s. h. s.	4.48.
	middle of Scor- pio & Aquarius,	E. S. E. h. S.	W. s. W. h. s.	4.14.
	first of Sagitari- us and Aquarius	S. E. by E. h. s.	s. W. by W. h. s.	3.48.
	middle of Sagit- arius and Capri.	sou. east	s. W. q.	3.29.
	first of Capri- cormine.	q. E. south east.	W. south west.	3.21.

By this foregoing Table, you may finde
the Moons Amplitude, and time of Rysing
to every 24th part of the Ecliptick, which
I shall shew here by two Examples:

For the First, Admit the Moon be 10
dayes old, and by calculation found to be
about the first of Gemini or Leo, is desirous
to know her Amplitude and time of Rysing
and setting.

First, find the time of her coming to
the Meridian, as before is taught, and you
will find it 8 aclock at Night. Then look
into the Table, and you will
find that when the Moon is in, or near the
first of Gemini or Leo, she riseth N. E.
E. by Northerly, and setteth N. W. by
W. by Northerly; and she shineth before
and after the Meridian 8 hours 12 minutis.

Now seeing she came to the Meridian
at 8 aclock at night, and did Rise 8 hours
12 minutis before that; and set 8 hours 12
minutis afterward; then Argue, she will
Rise at 48 minutis past 11 in the forenoon
and Set 12 minutis past 4 aclock next mor-
ning. the time desired.

The second Example, Let the Moon

find no dayes old; and by calculation found
sing to be in, or near the middle of Scorpio
nich or Aquarius, is demanded her Amplitude
and time of Rizing and Setting.

10. First, find the time of her coming to
the Meridian or South, and you will find
it at 4 aclock in the morning, then look
into the Table, and you will find that when
the Moon is in or near the middle of Scor-
pio or Aquarius, She Riseteth E. S. E. h.
southerly; and Setteth W. S. W. h. Sou-
therly, and Shadeth before and after the
Meridian 4 hours 14 minuts: Now seeing
she will come to the Meridian at 4 aclock
in the morning, and will Rise 4 hours 14
minuts before that, and Set at 4 hours
14 minuts thereafter; then Argue, she
will Rise at 46 minuts past it at night
and Set at 14 minuts past 8 aclock next
morning. And thus may you come near to
the time of the Moons Rizing and Setting,
and Amplitude, any day of Her Age.

C H A P. X I.

To find the hour of the Night by the shadow of the Moon, upon a Sun-Dyall.

Observe on a Sun-Dyall, what hour line the shadow of the Moon falls upon, and take notice, how much the shadow doth either lack or is past the hour of 12 upon the Dyall; for so much it doth want of, or is past the time of the Moons coming to the Meridian or South.

As for Example.

Let the Moon be 11 dayes old, and the shadow of the Moon did fall on the line of 9, is demanded the hour of the Night.

First, find the time the Moon will be South, which you will find to be 48 minutes past 8 aclock at night; now setting the Moon wants 3 hours of the Meridian or South, (for there is 3 hours between 9 and 12) therefore it wants 3 hours of 8 hours 48 minutes, which is 48 minutes past 5 aclock in the evening,

For remark, that when the shadow that night is on the line of 12, then is it 48 minutes past 8 o'clock at night, so Argue: But if the shadow of the Moon had been at 3 upon the Dyck, then you must add 3 hours to the time she came to the South, and it will make 48 minutes past 11 at night,

And Note, that when the Moon is in the Full, then the shadow of the Moon shews the true hour of the night; as the shadow of the Sun doth by day.

C H A P. X I I.

To find the Hour of the Night, by
Orions-Girdle, vulgarly called
the Ladies-Elwaa.

Having considered that these 3 stars is known almost to every one, I have therefore made this following Table, by the help of which, the meanest Capacity may know the hour of the Night more quickly and exactly then by the Moon.

A Table showing the hour of the night
that Orions-Girdle shall come to the
Meridian, from the first of Sep-
tember, to the first of March,
to every 1. 3. 5. 7. 9.
days of the month.

Septē- ber.	Octo- ber.	Novē- ber.	Decē- ber.	Janu- ary.	Febru- ary.
ho. mi.	ho. mi.	ho. mi.	ho. mi.	ho. mi.	ho. mi.
7. 6. 00	4. 8. 2. 9	0. 2. 9. 40	7. 33.		
M.			A		
3. 5. 52	4. 0. 2. 1	11. 50.	9. 32.	7. 25.	day
5. 5. 44.	3. 53. 1. 52.	11. 42.	9. 24.	7. 17.	nig
7. 5. 35.	3. 45. 1. 46.	11. 34.	9. 15.	7. 9.	is
9. 5. 27	3. 38. 1. 38.	11. 25.	9. 6.	7. 1.	tim
11. 5. 19.	3. 30. 1. 29.	11. 15.	8. 58.	6. 54.	Mer
13. 5. 11.	3. 23. 1. 20.	11. 6.	8. 49.	6. 46.	day
15. 5. 8.	3. 15. 1. 11	10. 58.	8. 41.	6. 39.	the
17. 5. 0.	3. 7. 1. 2.	10. 48.	8. 33.	6. 31.	in
19. 4. 52.	3. 0. 0. 53.	10. 39.	8. 25.	6. 23.	to
21. 4. 44.	2. 52. 0. 44.	10. 30.	8. 17.	6. 16.	5
23. 4. 37.	2. 45. 0. 36.	10. 21.	8. 8.	6. 9.	3
25. 4. 30.	2. 38. 0. 27.	10. 12.	8. 0.	6. 2.	10
27. 4. 22.	2. 30. 0. 18.	10. 4.	7. 52.	5. 54.	15
29. 4. 15.	2. 21. 0. 9.	9. 55.	7. 46.		20
	2. 13.	9. 45.	7. 37.		25

Although (for brevities sake) I have calculated this Table to every second day throughout the Month, yet you may have the time for every particular day, by subtracting 4 minutes from the time the night before; and the remainder is the time for the night present.

For Example, Let it be the 8 day of September, is demanded the hour of the night that Orions Girdle shall come to the Meridian.

First, look into the Table for the 7 day, (which is the day before) and right under September in the Common Angle, is 5 hours 35 minutes in the morning, the time that Orions Girdle shall come to the Meridian the 7 day, but it being the 8 day, therefore subtract 4 minutes, and there remains 5 hours 31 minutes, the time in the morning that Orions Girdle will come to the Meridian, the 8 day of September.

Note, that any of the fixed Stars comes to the Meridian about 4 minutes sooner any night then the night before; that is, if any Star shall come to the Meridian at 6 o'clock in the morning, the next night the

Third Star shall come 4 minutes sooner, that is, to
49 minutes past 5 in the morning: & the next fore-
night after the like manner, as at 52 minutes past
5, as in the Table with Orions Girdle, the
from the first to the third of September.

Note 2., From the first of September to the
the first of December, Orions Girdle comes to
the Meridian after midnight, according to
the Table, which is marked with the
Letter M, signifying morning, and from the
the first of December to the first of March,
before midnight, which is marked with
the Letter A, signifying afternoon.

A second Example, December the 19 day, is demanded the hour or time that
Orions Girdle will come to the Meridian.
Look into the Table for the 19 day,
and right under the moneth December, in the
the Common Angle is 10 hours 39 minutes, which
the time in the forenight desired.

Now, if it had been the 20 day, subtract
4 minutes from the foresaid time (10 hours
39 minutes) and the remainder is 10 hours
35 minutes, the time in the forenight
that Orions Girdle will come to the Meridian
on the 20 day of December.

Thus I hope the meanest Capacity may
 easily know the hour or time that *Orions*
Girdle will come to the *Meridian*, for
 the six Moneths forefaid in the Table: Here
 understand the middlemost of the three for
 there is 4 minutes time of difference between
 the first and the second, and the second and
 the third, that is, the first cometh to the
Meridian 4 minutes before the second, and
 the second 4 minutes before the third.

It followeth now, how to know the
 hour of the night by the said *Orions Girdle*,
 it being upon any other point of the Com-
 pass, as betwixt *East* and *South*, that is,
 before the *Meridian*, and *South* and *West*,
 that is, after the *Meridian*; for the said
 stars, (at least) the first of them, riseth
 alwayes near the *East*, and setteth near *West*;
 straunge of their nearnes to the *Equinoctiall*: so that there is always near 6 hours
 from the time they rise, and their coming
 to the *Meridian*, and the like time from
 their being at the *Meridian* and setting:
 these things being premised, I come now
 to Practice.

In January the 25 day, *Orions Girdle* was

pylled South-West, is demanded the hour of the night?

First, look into the Table for the mid day, and it is the common Angle under this moneth January, you will find 8 hours 30 minutes, the time that Orions Girdle (the middlemost of the three) shall come to the Meridian, now seeing that the said Orions Girdle is at South-West, which is 3 hours past the Meridian, therefore add 3 hours to the time they came to the Meridian, and it is 11 hours 00 minutes the time before midnight required: So that the day of Januar, Orions Girdle being South-West, makes 11 aclock at night.

A second Example, October the 19 day Orions Girdle was pylled East-South-East, is demanded the hour of the night?

First, you will find by the Table, they will come to the Meridian at 3 aclock in the morning, but seeing the said Orions Girdle is but East-South-East, which is 4 hours 30 minutes from the Meridian (for so we count 6 points) therefore count 4 hours 30 minutes back from 3 aclock in the morning, and it makes 30 minutes

about 10 o'clock at night, the time required.
If you would know the time that the
said *Orions-Girdle* will rise or set: Then
first, find by the Table the hour or time
of their coming to the *Meridian*, and
(by adding 6 hours thereto, so have you
the hour or time of their setting; and by
subtracting 6 hours therefrom, so have you
the time of their rising.

For Example, Let it be the first of De-
cember, is demanded the hour or time of
rising and setting of *Orions Girdle*?

First, you will find by the Table, that
they will come to the *Meridian* 2 minutes
past midnight, to which if you add 6
hours, makes 6 hours 2 minutes in the mor-
ning, which is the time of their setting;
and by subtracting 6 hours (or account 6
hours back,) makes 2 minutes past 6 in the
afternoon, the time of their rising: And
thus you may find the time when *Orions-*
Girdle will rise or set in the foresaid 6
months.

Note, that if the 32 points of the Ma-
jors Compass were drawn upon all Horo-
small Dyalls, (as it is upon some) then

might the hour of the night be knowne by Orions Girdle, (for the foresaid time as by the Sun by day, by putting it as the foresaid : So that *Orions Girdle* is of excellent use, not only to shew the hour of the night, as is before shewn, But also to know the Latitude of the place, and the variation of the *Compass*, of which I shall treat hereafter : but I come now to treat a little as to reckon the *Tydes*, for I would shew to keep method.

C H A P. X I I I.

To reckon the *TYD E S.*

Before I begin with this small peece of Navigation, it will be fit to premisse some things as concerning it.

Firstly, Know that the *Flowing* and *Ebbing* of the *Sea* dependeth much upon the *Moon*, for sure it is, that it keepe constant rule with the *Moon*. For consider the time of *Fall Sea* any day of the *Month* and you will find it the same time *Fall Sea* the same day of the next (or other) *Month* followeth shewing

Secondly, Know that the same time

Full Sea the Change day. It is the same time Full Sea the Full-Moon day: So that the Change day, and the Full-Moon day, are both alike as to the time of Full-Sea. Argue then, it will be the same time Full-Sea so 4 or 5 dayes (more or less) after the Full Moon, that it is 4 or 5 dayes (more or less) after the Change, that is, The same time Full Sea the 20 day of the Moon, the same time Full Sea the 5 day; and the 22 day as the 7 day, for the 20 and 22 day of the Moon is as many dayes past the Full Moon, as the 5 and 7 is past the Change, and so of the rest.

Thirdly, Know that we have always the highest water (called Streams-Tydes) upon the 2 and 3 day of the Moon, and the like on the 17 and 18 day, and our lowest water, (called Neip-Tydes) upon the 10 and 11 day of the Moon, and the like upon the 25 and 26 day of the same Moon; so that there is two Streams and two Neips every Moon.

Fourthly, Know that all alongst the sea side it floweth 6 hours and 12 minuts and in the same, but at the heads of most

Rivers, it Ebbeth longer then it Floweth because of the Freshes.

Fifthly, Know that as the Moon is alwaies 48 minuts of time latter in coming to any point of the Heavens (as to the ~~Heaven~~ ^{Month}) where she was the night before, even so is the Full-Sea any day 48 minuts latter then the day before; so whenever the Moon be any Full-Sea, she will always be there every second Full-Sea, and at the opposite point the other Tyde: For if the Moon be South-West the one Full-Sea she will be North-East the next, and so South-West again the second; so that we have always two Floods, and two Ebbs every 24 hours 48 minuts: Now whenever the Moon be at Full-Sea in any place we commonly call that point of the Compass the Flowings of the place.

Example, At Dundee, a South-West by South Moon maketh ever Full-Sea the one Tyde, and a North-East by North Moon the other Tyde; and so it is said to Flow Dundee South-West by South and North-East by North, and the like with any other. Thus having premised these things, I come to Practice.

Dundee, where it flows South-West by South, the Moon being 5 dayes old, is demanded the time of Full-Sea?

First, Consider that when the Moon is 5 dayes old, she is 5 points 15 minutes from the Sun, therefore account 5 points 15 minutes from South-West by South to the straight hand, and you will find the Sun 15 minutes past West; which makes 15 minutes past 6 o'clock at night, the time desired.

A second Question, At the same place, the Moon being 22 dayes old, is demanded the time of Full-Sea?

First, Consider that there is 8 points 24 minutes betwixt the Sun and Moon, and according the Moon will be South-West by South at Full-Sea, therefore account 8 points 24 minutes from South-West by South to the left hand, and you will find the Sun at that time to be South-East by East 14 minutes Easterly; which makes 51 minutes past 7 o'clock in the morning, the time of Full-Sea desired.

So that this way of reckning of Tides, offers nothing from the former way, shown to find the hour of the night by the Moon.

notwithstanding this last Question might have been resolved thus, by reckoning the 7 day (for so it will hold) and so accounting 7 points 21 minutes from North-East by North to the right hand, and you will find the Sun at East-South-East 21 minutes Southerly, which Sun makes 51 minutes past 7 in the morning, the same time with the former: And likewise you may account 7 points 21 minutes from South-West by South to the right hand, and you will find the Sun at West-North-West 21 minutes Northerly; which makes 51 minutes past 7 at night, sei by inverting the time, is the same with the former: This is a good old way to reckon the Tides, notwithstanding take this second way now most in use.

First, Consider the Change day and Full Moon, when it is Full-Sea, and for every day thereafter (either Change or Full-Moon) add 48 minutes of time, to the time of Full-Sea of the other Change or Full-Moon, so have you the time of Full-Sea for any day of the Month.

For Example; Where it rained with South-West by South, the Moon being 5 dayes old, it determined the time of Full-Sea

First, Consider where it Floweth South
West by South, it is alwayes Full-Sea the
Change day and Full-Moon at 15 minuts past
the 2 o'clock, now seeing it is 5 dayes past the
Change, therefore it will be 4 hours latter
Full-Sea then the Change day, (for 5 dayes
difference of the Tyde at 48 minuts each
day is 4 hours) which makes 15 minuts past
6, the time of Full-Sea required, which
you may order thus.

ho. min.

The time of Full-Sea the Change-day, 2. 15.
5 dayes since at 48 min. each day, 4 0.
Full-Sea either morning or night. 6. 15.

Note, That when ever the Moon maketh
Full-Sea at any place (commonly called
the Flowings) see what hour or time of the
day it is when the Sun is upon the same
point of the Compass, and that is the time
of Full-Sea the Change-day or Full-Moon:
as in the foregoing question, where it
Floweth South-West by South, now a South-
West by South Sun maketh 2 hours 15 mi-
nutes, being the time of Full-Sea, the
Full-Moon or Change; and the like of
any other.

The second Question, Where it flowered
South-East the Moon being 8 dayes old,
is demanded the time of Full-Sea?

	ho. mi.
The time of Full-Sea the Change-day,	9. 00
8 dayes since at 48 min. each day	6. 34
	15. 24
Subtract	12. 00

Full Sea either morning or night. 3. 24

Here you see that the Full-Sea will happen
at 24 minutes past 3 aclock, and may without
great difference be either morning or
night.

Note, That if the Moon were 23 dayes
old, it is the same time Full-Sea that
is here with the 8 day, for as I prov'd
before, that they are both alike as to the
time of Tyde.

The third Question, Where it flowered
West-South-West, the Moon being 21 dayes
old, is demanded the time of Full-Sea

	ho. mi.
The time of Full-Sea the Full-Moon,	4. 00
6 dayes since at 48 min. each day,	4. 48
Full-Sea	9.
Here you see that the Full-Sea will at mid-	

ven minutes past 9, and the same time Full-old sea the 6 day, and the like with any other.

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To find the variation of the Compass.

If you would know whether your *Com-*
pass be good or not, take these three
 wayes following?

As first, See if the Sun by your *Com-*
pass sets as many degrees to the North-wards
 either South.wards of the West, as it did rile
 g to the North.wards or South wards of the
 East: then is your *Compass* good; that
 is, if the Sun rise East-North-East, and
 set West-North-West, or rise East-South-East
 and set West-South-West, Argue your *Com-*
pass is good: for the points of rising and set-
 ting of the Sun, is alwayes alike distant from
 the Meridian.

Secondly, If the shadow of the Sun be-
 ing South-West, be equivalent to the shad-
 low at South-East, then is your *Com-*
pass good.

To perform which, First, fix any Table
 Chist as Horizonsall as you can, and set
 any small piece of Wood or Weir, or

any other thing in manner of a Gnomon, as ma
perpendicular as you can, and when the
Sun is South-East remark the length of the al
shaddow, and if the shaddow be the same
length at South-West, Argue the Compass
is good: the like may be used with East
South-East and West-South-West, or East and
West, or with any two points that are
like distant from the Meridian.

Thirdly, If you find the first of Orion
Girdle to rise East, or to set West: then is
your Compass good, for that Star riseth all the
wayes East, and setteth West, over all the
Earth: This last and the first may be used
at Sea, but the second only at Shore.

Now it remaineth that we show when
the Compass hath variation, how much
the variation is, and which way it is:
which I shall do by answering these ques-
tions: Observing, that if the Compass varie
to the right hand, we call it Easterly va-
riation, and if it varie to the left hand,
we call it Westerly variation.

The first Question, Admit the Sun were
found to rise East-North-East, and the same
day was found to set North-West, is be-

as daunted as aforesaid?

Now sure it is, that the true Meridian is alwayes in the middle betwixt the points of rysing and seting, which here you will find to be *South by West*, (for *South by West* is the middle point betwixt *East-North-East* and *North-West*) so that the *South by West* point of the *Compass* pointeth out the *Meridian* or *South*. Now if the *South by West* point of the *Compass* be but *South*, then Argue, the *Compass* hath varied to the left hand a whole point, called *Westerly variation*.

The second Question; Admit the *Sun* be found to rise *North-East by East*, and the same day was found to set *West-North-West*, is demanded the *Compass variation*?

Here you will find the *Meridian South half Easterly* (it being the middle betwixt the two aforesaid points) now if the *South half Easterly* point of the *Compass* be but *South*, then Argue, the *Compass* hath varied half a point to the right hand, called *Easterly variation*.

The third Question; By the *Suns Azimuth at two Arituds*; In one day the shaddow

shaddow of the Sun being West was equivalent to the shaddow at East-South-East, is demaunded as aforesaid ?

Here you will find the Meridian to be South by West, it being the middle betwixt the two aforesaid points: now if the South by West point of the Compass be but South, then Argue, the Compass hath varied to the left hand a whole point, called Westernly variation.

The fourth Question, By the first of Orions Girdle: Admit the first of Orions Girdle was pylled to rise at East-North-East, is demaunded the variation ?

Now as I laid before, that the first of Orions-Girdle riseth alwayes East, and seteth West over all the Earth; then Argue, the East-North-East point of the Compass is but East, which sheweth that the Compass hath varied two points to the right hand, called Easterly variation.

The fifth Question; Admit the first of Orions Girdle was found to set at West by South, is demaunded the variation ? Here the West by South point of the Compass, is but the true West, so Argue, the Compass hath

hath varied a point to the right hand, called *Easterly variation*: So by these three wayes may the meanest capacity know the variation of the *Compass*; Notwithstanding the two last wayes (which are soonest performed) now most in use by them that are learned in *Navigation*, is by the Suns *Amplitude*, and *Azimuth* at a convenient hight, having for the First, their is given the *Latitude* and *Declination* to fid the *Amplitude*: and for the Second, there is given the *Latitude*, *Declination* and *Altitude*, to find the *Azimuth*: Each of these may be resolved in *Geometry* and *Sphericall Trigonometry*, to treat of which, is not my design in this place: Notwithstanding Reader, if you be acquainted with the *Artificial Tables of Signs*, or the line of *Signs* on *Gunters Scale*; take here the *Canon* for the Suns *Amplitude*. As the *Sign Complement* of the *Latitude* is to *Radius*, so is the present *Declination* to the present *Amplitude*; that is, add the *Sign* of the Suns *Declination*, to the *Sign* of 90; and from that product substract the *Sign* of the *Complements* the *Latitude*, and the remainder

is the Sign of the Amplitude.

As in the Latitude of 56 deg. 00 min. the Sun having North Declination 15 deg. 33 min. the Amplitude will be found to be 28 deg. 00. min. which is East-North-East half a point Northerly, and by the Gunter-Scale, extend the Compass from 34 deg. to 90 deg. the same distance will reach from 15 deg. 13 min. to 28 deg. the Amplitude as before.

Now it followeth how to order a Course upon a Compass, that varieth either Easterly or Westerly; and to rectify a Course already sailed.

Admit I am to sail South-East by a Compass that varieth two points Westerly, how shall I sail? Answere, South-South-East for that represents South-East.

Admit I am to sail North-East upon a Compass that varieth a point Easterly; how shall I sail? Answere, North-East by North, for it represents North-East.

Admit I have sailed South-East by a Compass that varieth two points Westerly, how have I sailed? Answere, East-South-East, for South-East here represents East-South-East.

Admit

Admit I have sailed East-North-East, by a
Compass that varieith a point Easterly, how
have I sailed? Answere, East by North, for
East-North-East here, representeth East by
North.

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The use of the Plate or Plain Chart.

Although this Chart may seem at first
to the unlearned to be a confusion
of lines as seeing so many lines crossing
one another, notwithstanding when rightly
considered, you will find every line
running exactly parallel to another, that
is, all North and South lines, East and West
lines, and so consequently all the other
points of the Compass runs all parallel the
one to the other.

Also every line hath (as it were) two
names, to wit, North and South, East and
West, North-East and South-West, and so
of all the rest of the Compass.

Example of the North and South line, as
it comes off North from one Compass, so
it comes off South from the other; and
the East line from one Compass runs off

West from the other, I mean their opposite
Compasses: Now the like you will find will do
all the 32 points, and the North and South line
running betwixt any two Compasses, is always
parallel to any North and South line, running
betwixt two other Compasses, & so all the rest.

The 8 great points of the Compass are
commonly thicker lines then the rest, and so
the other 8 points that divides them are
commonly pricked lines; and the other 16
points are smaller lines, and thus they are placed
for the more quicker knowing of them.

There is commonly on the margin, the cou
degree of Latitude of these places on the
Chart, each degree being always equall with
20 Leagues on the Scale.

This Scale of Leagues you will always
find upon some corner of the Chart, common
ly marked 5. 10. 20. 30. 40. and so forth.

These degrees of Latitude are commonly
divided in 4. 5. or 6. divisions, if in 4
parts each part is 15 minutes, and if in 5
parts, each part is 12 minutes, and if in 6
parts, each part is 10 minutes, the whole
being always 60 minutes.

The uses of this Chart are these.

First, To find the course and distance
w^t alongst any shore.

Secondly, To find the course and distance
w^t betwixt any two Lands.

Thirdly, Having travelfed a while at sea
w^t contrary winds, to know at all times
s^t w^t the Land is bearing of you, you are
bound to, and your distance from it, and
also, any other place upon the Chart.

Fourthly, To know the Latitude of any
place upon the Chart.

For the first, If you would know the
course and distance alongst any shore, then
with a pair of *Compasses* look what line lead-
th^t neither off the shore nor on upon it;
and that is the course line along that shore;
you lay a ruler alongst the said shore, and
look what line is nearest parallel to your
ruler, and that is the course line alongst
that shore: Or suppose a line running a-
longst that shore from one point to ano-
ther; and look what line is nearest paral-
lel to that supposed line; and that is the
course line foresaid; then with your *Com-
passes* take off the distance and apply to
the Scale; So thus you may find the course

and distance alongst any shore.

Example, Look upon any true Chart, and you will find the nearest course along or shore, from without the Read head to the Cat-skin-neft, is North-North-East a little Easterly, about 18 or 19 Leagues.

And also from the Skair heads to Flambrough head, is South-South-East half a point Easterly distant 40 Leagues.

Secondly, For the course and distance betwixt any two Lands, you will find it by the same way as the former, for if you meaſure a ruler, or suppose a line from the Island of May to the Noes of Norway, and you will find the nearest parallel line to be East by North a little Northerly, which is the nearest course from the Island of May to the Noes of Norway; and so conſequently West by South a little Southerly, leading from the Noes of Norway, to the Island of May, and the distance being applied to the Scale will be 103 Leagues.

Likewise, if you day a ruler from Burgh-top to the Sandheads of Norway, you shall find the nearest parallel line thence to be the South-East by North and South

West by South line, which is the nearest course leading betwixt these two places; or you may find the same with a pair of compasses, and then with your Compasses take off the distance, and apply to the scale, and it will be found to be 100 Leagues: So thus you may find the course and distance betwixt any two Lands contained in the *Chart*.

Thirdly, For traveling, know that it is not my intention here, to treat of that method and exactness, that is used in long voyages, for it would not be suitable to the place: I shall onely treat a little of that ordinary method and way used in short voyages.

First, Remark the day of the month, and the hour of the day, that you depart from any *Land*, and how it bears from you, and the distance by estimation; and hereafter keep an exact account of every watch running, as to course and distance; which courses and distances being set off upon the *Chart*; gives always the point or prick on the *Chart* where the *Ship* is. Now if you would know the Landmarks

of any place on the Chart, then with your
Compass take off the distance to any East
and West line, and with the same distance
follow that line to the margin, (or any
other North and South line, where the
degrees of Latitude are set down) and re-
mark the degree and minutes where the foot
of your Compass riseth, and that is the
Latitude of the place.

The same may be done by laying a
ruler from the said place, parallel to any
East and West line: So if you take the
distance of St. Tabes-head from any East
and West line, and with that distance fol-
low that line to the margin, and you will
will find 56 degrees 4 minutes, which is
the Latitude of that place, or lay a ruler
by St. Tabes-head parallel to any East and
West line gives the same.

If you do the same with Buckanness,
you will find the Latitude of 57 degrees
46 minutes, the nearest Latitude of the six
place.

Example of ordering a reckoning at Scalloway
April the 3, being monday 1682, we may
parted from the Island of May in Scotake
land,

ound, bound (God willing) for the *Nose*
End of Norway, and at 4 aclock at night the
Island of May bear *West-South-West* dis-
mynt 6 Leagues, and we sailed as followeth.

		Leagues
From	4 to 8	<i>E by N,</i>
	8 to 12	<i>E by N;</i>
	12 to 4	<i>E by N,</i>
	4 to 8	<i>E by S,</i>
	8 to 12	<i>E by N,</i>

Which 5 *Watches* sailing we common-
 thly order thus, the first 3 *Watches* and the
 last *Watch* being all one way, is *East by*
North 23 Leagues, and the 4 *Watch* being
East by South 5 Leagues, so thus the 5
Watches sailing is reduced to two severall
 courses and distances, to wit, *East by*
North 23 Leagues, and *East by South 5 Leagues*;
 which courses and distances is set off upon
 the *Chart* as followeth.

First, Take 6 *Leagues* of the *Scale*, and
 fix one foot of your *Compasses* at the *Island*
 of *May*, and set the other foot paral-
 lel to an *East-North-East* line, which you
 may do by taking a pair of *Compasses*, and
 take the distance of the first foot from
 the

the nearest East-North-East line; and so setting the second foot alike distant from the same line, (which makes a true parallel) and so have you the prick or point on the Chart where the Ship was at 4 o'clock at night, the time of departure.

Then take 23 Leagues off the Scale, and fix one foot of your Compasses in the fore part of the said prick or point, and so with your other pair of Compasses, take the distance of the first foot from the nearest East by North line, and so setting the second foot alike distance from the same line, and so mark that second prick or point: Then take 5 Leagues of the Scale, and fix one foot of your Compasses in the last prick or point, and let the other foot parallel (as aforesaid) to an East by South line; and so have you the prick or point on the Chart where the Ship was at 12 o'clock next day, which if exactly set off from the Island of May, (as aforesaid) you will find that the Island of May bears now from the Ship West by South, a little Westerly distant 33 Leagues, and the Roads of Norway bearing East by North a little Northerly distant

distant 70 Leagues, and the Ship now is
on the Latitude of 56 degrees 32 minutes, and
this will be the place of the Ship, on
Tuesday at midday, being the 4th of April
1682.

April the 4th at midday 1682, the Noas
of Norway being by estimation bearing East
by North a little Northerly distant 70 Leagues
and we sailed as followeth.

From	To	Watches	Leagues
12 to 4	N. E.	5	
4 to 8	E. N. E.	5	
8 to 12	East.	5	
12 to 4	East.	6	
4 to 8	E. by N.	6	
8 to 12	West.	3	

Which 6 Watches is ordered thus; the
first two makes Norib-East by East 10 Leagues,
the third, fourth and sixth Watches is East
8 Leagues, (for the third and fourth being
East 11 Leagues ; and the sixth West 3
Leagues, therefore subtract 3 Leagues West,
from 11 Leagues East, and there remains
8 Leagues East) then is there East by North
6 Leagues, so thus the six Watches sailing,

is reduced to three several courses and distances, to wit,

	Leagues
N. E. by E.	10
East	8
E. by N.	6

Which 3 severall courses and distances if you set off upon the *Chart*, (as formerly is taught) and so have you the prid or point on the *Chart* where the *Ship* is at 12 aclock next day; which if exactly set off from the place the day before, you will find that the *Noas of Norway*, beareth now from the *Ship East by North* a little *Northerly*, distant 46 Leagues, and the *Land of May* bearing *West by South* distant 57 Leagues, and the *Latitude* of 50 degrees 54 minutes.

And thus you may find the *Ships* place on the *Chart* at any time, and how every *Land* on the *Chart* bears from you, and your distance from it; I leave the rest to your own practice.

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To find the Latitude the Ship is in, by
Observation.

First, It will be fiting to premise cer-
tain things serving to that purpose, and
forasmuch as there is severall sorts of In-
struments made use of at Sea for finding
the Meridian Altitude of Sun or Star, I shall
only treat of finding the Sun or Stars Al-
titude by a Fore-Staff.

The Fore-Staff is made streight and four
square, and commonly made of Box or
Pear-Tree; and some of black-Isbin, and gra-
duated on the severall sides, with degrees
and minutes.

The Crosses are usually four, as one for
each square, and commonly made of the
same Wood with the Staff, of a conveni-
ent breadth and of length, proportionable
to the Graduations; so fitted to slide even-
ly upon the Staff without jogging.

On the one side of the Staff the Gradua-
tions begin about 3 degrees, and proceed-
eth to the Eye end encræaseth by every ten
minutes, to ten degrees, and this side is called
the tenth side; and the Cross belonging there-

unto (the shortest of the four) the tenth Cross, whose length will reach on this side from 10 degrees to 8 degrees 31 minutes.

On an other side of the Staff, the Graduations begin at ten degrees and increaseth upwards to 30 degrees, this is called the thirty side, and its Cross the thirty Cross, whose length will reach on this side from 30 degrees to 19 degrees 47 minutes.

On another side the Graduations begin about 20 degrees, and increaseth towards the Eye end of the Staff to 60 degrees, this is named the sixty side, and the Cross peculiar to this side, is called the sixty Cross, whose length will reach on this side from 60 degrees to 30 degrees.

The remaining or fourth side, the Graduations begin at 30 degrees and increaseth to the Eye end to 90 degrees; from thence it is named the ninety side, and the Cross (being the longest) the ninety Cross, whose length will reach on this side from 90 degrees to 36 degrees 52 minutes; and the half length from the Eye end to 90 degrees.

There is other Forestaff that are commonly made of black Iber, with Pear Tree Crosses.

On the one side of this Staff, the Graduations begin at 8. degrees, and increaseth to the Eye end to 30 degrees, the Cross as the 30 Cross in the former.

On another side the Graduations begin about 18 degrees, and increaseth to the Eye end to 60 degrees the Cross being alike to the sixty Cross in the former.

On another side is the short ninty, the Graduations begin at 30 degrees, and increaseth to the Eye end to 90 degrees, the Cross reacheth as the ninty in the former.

The remaining or fourth side, is called the long nyntie side, the Graduations begin about 40 degrees, and increaseth to the Eye end to 90 degrees; the Cross (being the longest) reacheth as the former.

Most or all Forestaffs are marked with the Complement of the Altitude, as by stands 70, and by 30 stands 60, and by 40 is 50, and so of the rest: That is, if the Sun be 20 degrees high, he is 70 degrees from the Zenith, and lykewise being 30 degrees high, is 60 degrees from the Zenith; so what ever be the Sun's height, it being subtracted from 90, the

remainder is the distance from the Zenith, called the *Complement of the Altitude*.

The degrees and minutes of Altitude increaseth to the Eye end, and the Complement of Altitude increaseth from it; for the higher the Sun the nearer the Zenith: So that when you work your observation as to obtain the Latitude, you may make use of the Altitude, or Complement of Altitude, being all to one purpose.

When you are to take your observation, as for finding the Meridian Altitude, in reference to the obtaining of the Latitude of the place, it is convenient, that you be preparing your self for your observation some competent time before noon; and consider what may be the Suns greatest Altitude that day, accordingly to use those Sides that may be most suitable to your purpose: As suppose the Meridian Altitude for that day, be judged to be about 30 degrees, then use the thirty side, and the thirty Cross, and if you think it will be 30 degrees, and above it, then take the forty Cross, but if you esteem it to exceed 30, then use the nyctic side and Cross.

To take a foreward observation of the Sun's
Meridian Altitude at Sea.

Having provided your *Cross*; that is most fitting for your purpose that day, slide it one upon your *Staff* with the Nut out most, then with your right hand, present the *Staff* to the out side of the corner of your right Eye, as near your Eye as conveniently you can, without hindering the sight, let the end of your *Staff* rest upon the Eye bone, parallel as it were with the Eyes Center, and then is your *Staff* rightly placed for observation.

The *Staff* being thus holden to your Eye, turne your face to the *Sun*, holding the *Cross* as upright as you can, looke at the upper end of your *Cross* for the *Sun*, and at the lower end for the *Horizon*, but if the *Sea* obscureth the *Horizon* from your sight, then remove your *Cross* a little farther from your Eye, but if on the contrary your sight do not extend so low as the *Horizon*, but that the skie appears instead thereof, then remove the *Cross* a little nearer to your Eye, untill by the upper

and therof you see the Center of the Sun, and by the lower end the Horizon exactly at the same time, then look upon the proper side of the Staff (belonging to the Cross you use) the Suns Meridian Altitude will be due by the same, and thus you may observe the Sun or Stars Meridian Altitude with a Forestaff.

Note, That it is fit you begin your observation at a South-South-East, or South by East Sun, still making observation as your judgement shall direct you, untill the Sun be upon the Meridian, still holding the Cross nearer to your Eye as the Sun riseth, and when you perceive him to be at the highest; then look for the degree and minutes upon the proper side of the Staff as aforesaid, to have you the Meridian Altitude of the Sun.

Note 2dly, That if you make observation of the Sun after he is to the West-ward of the Meridian you will find the Sea by the lower end of your Cross, to obscure the Horizon from your sight, and then you may know the Sun is falling.

Note 3dly, That the Center of the Sun

Sun, is the true place of the Sun, and therefore there is commonly a peccce of red glass (holden with the left hand) to defend the Eye from the Suns luster in time of observation ; but I think its as good to take the upper edge of the Sun in observation, and rebate 16 minutes from the Altitude.

To make a backward observation of the Suns Altitude by a Forestaff.

These Observations are frequent at sea ; and to perform this, you must have a Horizon vane to fix upon the Eye end of the Staff, (or else a sliding one according to the Dutch fashion) likewise there is a Shoe of brass to fit on the end of any of the Crosses.

Then place your Horizon vane upon the Eye end of your Staff, and put on a Cross fit for your purpose, fix the brass-Shoe at the lower end thereof, then turn your back to the Sun ; and looking through the sight (made by the Brass-Shoe) on the end of your Cross, raise or let fall the end of your Staff, untill the shaddow made by

the upper end of the *Cross* fall upon the upper part of the sight in the *Horizon vane*, then look thorow that sight for the *Horizon sun*, but if the *Sun* obscure the *Horizon* from your sight, then remove your *Cross* a little nearer the *Horizon vane*: but if on the contrary, your sight doth not extend so low as the *Horizon*, but the *Sky* appears instead thereof, then remove the *Cross* further from the *Horizon vane*, till you see the shadow fall upon his due place, and perceive the *Horizon* exactly at the same time; then look upon the propper side belonging to that *Cross*, and you will find the *Meridian Altitude* cut by the same, and its *Complement*.

If you observe for the *Latitude*, you must keep observing (as is aforsaid) till the *Sun* be past the *Meridian*, and so desist.

Now as for finding the *Latitude* by the *Suns Meridian Altitude*, or the *Complement* thereof, shall be spoken to hereafter.

The other way to use this *Staff* in a backward observation, is by having an *Horizon vane* to slide evenly upon the *Staff*; and

thence then all the variety from the former
 manner of observation, will be this, place
 Horiz. vane of your Crosses that you intend to use
 upon the Center (or Eye end) of the
 staff, turning the Nut inwards, then slide
 the on your Horizon vane, with the Nut in-
 so wards, and fix on the Brass Shoe at the low-
 fur. end of your Cross; then proceed with
 your observation, removing the Horizon-
 vane as before you did the Cross, and the
 degrees and minutes cut by the Edge of the
 Cross you use, is the Suns Altitude and Com-
 plement thereof.

So thus you may find the Suns Meridian
 Altitude or Complement thereof, by a fore-
 ward or backward observation of the Fore-
 staff.

The next thing to be known, as to ob-
 tain the Latitude, is the Suns declination,
 which you will find in most, or all
 Navigation books, there being in them Tables
 of the Suns Declination, for every day
 throughout the Year.

If you would find the Suns Declination,
 for any day of the moneth in these Tables

first consider, what Year it is in reference unto Leap-Year, then look for the day of the moneth on the left hand, and the moneth at the top, and right from the day of the moneth in the Common Angle under the Year, is the Suns Declination in degrees and minutes.

For Example, On the 20 day of April 1682, is demanded the Suns Declination.

First, Look into the Table at the left hand way for the 20 day, and the moneth April, at the top, and the second Year from Leap-Year (for so is the 1682 Year) and right in the Common Angle is 14 degrees 57 minutes North, being the Suns Declination at that time.

Note, That the Sun hath North Declination from the 9 of March, to the 12 of September, and South Declination, from the 12 of September, to the 9 of March.

So that to us in North Latitude, when the Sun hath North Declination, is above the Equinoctiall, and having South Declination is below it.

Latitude, is the Equinoctiall distance from the Zenith; so that the height of the Equinoctiall

Equinoctiall is the complement of the Latitude. The Sun or Stars Declination is their distance from the Equinoctiall, either Northerly or Southerly, having premised these things I come to practice.

To work an Observation.

April the 20 day 1682, the Suns Declination Northerly being 14 degrees 57 minutes, the Suns Meridian Altitude Southerly, was found to be 50 degrees 10 minutes, is demanded the Latitude?

Substract the Suns Declination from the Meridian Altitude, and the remainder being substracted from 90, leaveth the Latitude, which commonly we do with a pen, or piece of chalk, thus.

	deg. min.
The Meridian Altitude Southerly	50. 10.
The Suns Declin North substracted	14. 57.
The Equinoctials hight	35. 43.
The which being substracted from 90.	35. 13.
Latitude North	54. 47.

Here you see that when the Suns Declination is substracted from the Meridian Altitude, there remains 35 degrees 13 minutes.

miss the hight of the Equinoctiall, that being subtracted from 90, leaveth 54 degrees 47 minutes, being the Latitude North.

Although, for the better understanding of it, I write the Meridian Altitude, and Declination, and the rest, yet at Sea we set down nothing but the figures.

October the 10 day 1682, the Suns Declination Southerly being 10 degrees 33 minutes, the Suns Meridian Altitude South, was by found to be 28 degrees 20 minutes, is demand'd the Latitude?

To resolvethis, Add the Suns Declination to the Meridian Altitude, and that sume subtract from 90, leaveth the Latitude, which is done thus;

	de.	min.	Ans.
The Meridian Altitude Southerly,	28.	20.	Sub
The Suns Declination South added,	10.	33.	rid
The Equinoctials hight,	38.	53.	Lati

The which being subtracted

From

90. 00.

38. 53.

51. 7.

Latitude North.

Here you see, that the Suns Declination being added to the Meridian Altitude gives

gives 38 degrees 33 minutes, for the hight
of the Equinoctiall, that being substracted
from 90, leaveth 51 degrees 7 minutes, the
dip. Latitude required.

coll. After the same manner is the Latitude
found by the Stars, having their Meridian
Altitude and Declination.

D. Now having shewen how to work an
observation within the bounds of Europe,
by the Meridian Altitude of either Sun or
Star, it will be fitting to treat a little of
finding the Latitude by the Complement of
their Meridian Altitude.

If the Sun have North Declination, add
it to the Complement of the Meridian Altitude Southerly, so have you the Latitude;
And if the Suns Declination be Southerly,
subtract the Suns Declination from the Me-
ridian Altitude Southerly, so have you the
Latitude.

Example, In the former question, of A-
pril the 20 day 1682, the Complement of
the Meridian Altitude being 39 degrees 50
minutes, to which if the Declination be ad-
ded, giveth 54 degrees and 47 minutes, the
Latitude as before.

Also

Also of the other, in October the 10 day
1682, the Complement of the Meridian
Altitude, being 61 degrees 40 minutes, from
which subtract the Suns Declination 10 degrees
33 minutes, and there will remain 54
51 degrees 7 minutes, being the Latitude of the
formerly.

CHAP. XVII.

To find the Latitude by Orions-Girdle.

If you observe the first of Orion's Girdle upon the Meridian in the South, add to the Meridian Altitude, 35 minutes, and subtract that sum from 90, and what remains is the Latitude.

Example, Admit the first of Orions-Girdle was at the Meridian in the South, to be 34 deg. 30 min. is demanded the Latitude.

The Operation. deg. min.

The Meridian Altitude

Southerly, is,

34. 30.

The Declination Southerly,

oo. 35.

The Equinoctialls hight, or Complement of the Latitude.

35.8 09

Here you see that the Declination of the Star 35 minutes, being added to the Merid.

Chilian Altitude 34 degrees 30 minutes, gives 35
 id degrees 5 minutes, for the height of the Equi-
 torial or Complement of the Latitude, the
 which being subtracted from 90, leaves
 54 degrees 55 minutes, the distance of the
 Equinoctial Southwards from the Zenith; or
 the Latitude Northerly: And thus you may
 find the Latitude by Orions Girdle, which
 the Horizon be clear, will serve your pur-
 pose also well as the Sun; and so much
 for finding the Latitude by the Meridian
 Altitude of Sun or Star, within the bounds
 of Europe, but more of this hereafter.

C H A P. X V I I I.

What Moon maketh Full-Sea in severall
 places in the North-Seas.

AT Lieth, Dundie, Berwick, Brunt-Island,
 Holy-Island, a South-West by South,
 and North-East by North Moon, make h
 Full-Sea.

Montrose, the Out-end of Tay, St. An-
 drews, and all along the Coast, from the
 Carr to Kinghorne-ness, before the Mace
 Gourie, and Terveer, South-South-West, and
 North-North-East.

Aberdeen, Flushing, the Naver, South by West, and North by East.

London, Ynder-keshing, Scareburgh, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, before Tannoush, South-West, and North-East.

Bassham ness, and all the South side of the Murray Firth, at Deall, Dover, Dunkirk, and all along the Shire to the Shore, South and North.

All above the High-land in the South Firth, South-West by West, and North-East by East.

A little off the shoar before Humber, Flembrugh, and Scairs-brugh, West-South-West, and East-North-East.

At New-Castle, the Spurn, and Humber, West by South, and East by North.

At Hull, Tressel, and Hambrugh, East, and West.

At Orkney, before Cromer, Winterton, and Tarmouth, South-East, and North-West.

At Leykaff Orfordness, and Alborough, South-East by South, and North-West by North.

At Harwich Tarmouth, and Brasse-sound, South-South-East, and North-North-West.

C H A P. X I X.

The Courses and Distances, alongst most
Shears, in the North-Seas.

	Leagues
From Tay to the Car, South-South-East 4,	
From Tay to Inch-Cape, East, half Southerly.	4.
From Tay to the Read-head, North-East by North.	3.
From Read head to Tod-head, North=	
North-East half Easterly.	4.
From Tod head to Aberdeen-ness, North-North-East.	7.
From Aberdeen-ness to Buchan-ness, North-North-East a little Easterly.	9.
From Buchan-ness to Ratre-head, North.	3.
From Ratre-head to Kinnairds head, North-North West a little Northerly.	2.
From Kinnairds-head to Cramerty, West nearest.	12.
From Buchan-ness to Week, North-West by North.	18.
From Buchan-ness to South-Ronald=	
shaw, and Copman-shaw in Ark=	
ney; North=North-West.	21.

	Leagues
From Buckan-ness to the Fair-Isle, North half Westerly.	34.
From Fair-Isle to Sumbrough-head, North North East.	7.
From Sumbrough-head, to the Isle of Musa; North North East.	4.
From Musa to Brasse-head, North.	3.
From the Carr to the May, South.	2.
From the Carr to Ely-ness, South West by West.	3.
From Ely-ness to Kinghorn-ness, West South West.	4.
From May to Kinghorn-ness, West=	
South-West, quarter Westerly.	7
From May to St. Abbs-head, South-East	6.
From St. Abbs-head, to the Scairs,	
South-East.	6
From Scair-heads to Tinnmouth, South by East.	15.
From Scair-heads to Flambrugh-head, South South East half Easterly.	39.
From Tinnmouth to Flambrugh- head, South East.	25.
From Flambrugh-head to the Spurn, South by East.	8.

	Leagues
From Flambrough-head to the Sbeeld, South East by South	24.
From Flambrough-head to the Bank of Limmer and Ore, South-East by East	28.
From Cromer to Winterton, South East by South.	8.
From Winterton to Yarmouth, South by East.	2. half
From the Holms, to Orford-ness, South by West.	9.
From the Holms, to the Downs, South.	25.
From the Downs, to the Veergat, East-North-East.	21.
From the Veergat, to the Maes North-East.	10.
From the Maes, to the Tessell, North North-East.	22.
From the Tessell, to Heligeland, North-East by East.	40.
From the Tessell, to 14 fathom on the Intish Riff, North-North-East.	72.
From Heligeland, to Horns Riff, North-North-West.	24.
From Horns Riff to 14 fathom on the Intish Riff, North by East,	20.
	On

Over Seas.	Leagu
From the Fair-Isle, to the Stade-heads in Norway, North-East half Easterly.	80.
From Koen and Ornall, to Visheires, South by East,	24.
From Visheires to the Naze South-East	34.
From the Naze, to the Scaw, East.	30.
From the Scaw, to the Trindell, South-East by East.	8.
From the Trindell, to the Riff of the Annos, South-East by South.	8.
From the Riff of the Anno, to the Koll, South-East by South-nearest.	12.
From the Koll, to Elsenoor, South- East by South.	4.
From Read-head, to the Naze, East by North,	102.
From Read-head, to Shat-ness, East- North-East,	80.
From Buchan-ness, to Stade-heads; North-East by North.	100.
From Buchan-ness, to the Naze, East a third part South.	99.
From Buchan-ness, to the Maes, South East by South a third part South.	130.

From

Over Seas. Leagues

From Fair.Islc, to the Maes, Souths South East,	163.
From the Maes, to the Naze, North by East,	110.
From Aberdeen-ness, to the Naze, East a third part North.	95.
From Aberdeen-ness, to the Maes, South-East by South,	121.
From the Island of May, to the Naze, E. by N. a third part Northerly.	103.
From the Island of May, to the Skar- ness, North-East by East.	85.
From without the Island of May, to the Maes, South East, a third part Southerly.	110.
From the Island of May, to Heligeland, East-north-east a third part Easterly.	120.
From Flambrough-head, to the Naze of Norway, North-East.	194.
From the Holms of Yarmouth, to the Maes, East-South-East half Southerly	28.
From the Maes, to the Bank of Limer, and Ore,	30.

C H A P. X X.

*The Latitude of severall places, in the
North-Seas.*

	deg. min. T
Tay, and Inch Cape,	56. 00
Middle of Read-head,	56. 40
Tod-head,	56. 50
Aberdeen-ness,	57. 00
Buchan-ness,	57. 00
Middle of the Murray: Firth,	58. 00
Copeman-shaw,	58. 00
Sumbrough-head,	59. 00
Island of May,	59. 00
St. Abbs-head,	59. 00
Tintioush Bar,	59. 40
Flambrrough-head,	59. 80
Limer and Ore,	59. 80
The West end of the Dogger sand,	59. 80
The Maes,	59. 80
Heligeland,	59. 80
The Naze,	59. 80
Skut-ness,	59. 80
Stade-heads the middle most,	60. 00
Braffe-sound,	60. 00

C H A P. X X I.

Of the Sphere.

The *Zenith* is a point in the Heavens, right over our heads, and the *Nadir*, a point in the Heavens right opposite thereto.

The *Horizon* is a great Circle 90 degrees distant from the *Zenith* and *Nadir*, which divides the World into two equall parts; the upper and visible *Hemisphær*, and the lower and invisible.

The *Poles* of the World, are two fixed points in the Heavens, Diametrically opposite to one another, the one visible in our *Hemisphær*, is called the *North* or *Artick Pole*, the other not seen of us, being in the lower *Hemisphær*, is called the *South* or *Antartick Pole*.

The *Equinoctiall* or *Equator*, is a great Circle 90 degrees distant from either *Pole*, dividing the World into two equall parts, called the *North* and *South Hemisphærs*: the inclination of all the Celestiall bodies, is their perpendicular distance from it, or an arch of the *Meridian*, contained betwixt

the Center of the Sun or Star, and this Circle, and the right ascension of Sun or Star is accounted on it, begining at *Aries*: the distance betwixt the Zenith and this Circle is always the Latitude, being the one thing sought for in all Observations.

The Ecliptick is a great Circle, crossing the Equinoctiall in the two opposite points *Aries* and *Libra*, making an Angle therewith of 23 degrees 30 minutes.

The Poles of this Circle, lyeth from the Poles of the World, 23 degrees 30 minutes according to the foresaid Angle made by this Circle, and the Equinoctiall.

The Latitude of the Moon and Stars is an Arch of a Circle, contained between the Centers, and this Ecliptick line; this Circle maketh right Angles with the Ecliptick, and is accounted either North-ward, South-ward, according to their situation.

This Ecliptick may be called the Suns Runnynge Annually.

The Tropicks are two smaller Circles parallel to the Equinoctiall, one upon either side thereof, being distant from it 23 degrees 30 minutes, limiting the Suns greatest Declination.

The Polar Circles are two small Circles; parallel to the Equinoctiall, and distant therefrom 66 degrees 30 minutes, and from the Poles of the World, 23 degrees 30 minutes.

These things being premised, I come now to practice in Observation of Sun or Star: to attain the Latitude over all the Earth.

Now seeing that there is 90 degrees betwixt the Equinoctiall and either Pole, and also, always 90 degrees betwixt the Zenith and the Horizon: Argue then, when the Equinoctiall happeneth to be in the Zenith, the Poles will be in the Horizon, and consequently, when any of the Poles is in the Zenith, the Equinoctiall will be in the Horizon: It followeth then, that what ever the Equinoctiall be distant from the Zenith, one Pole is as much above the Horizon, and the other as much below.

Example, If the Equinoctiall be found 30 degrees to the Southwards of the Zenith, then is the North-Pole 30 degrees above the North part of the Horizon; and the South-Pole 30 degrees below the South, and this is called North Latitude 30 degrees.

But if the Equinoctial had been 30 degrees to the North-wards of the Zenith, then had the South Pole been 30 degrees above the South-part of the Horizon; and the North Pole, 30 degrees below the North-part: and this is called South-Latitude 30 degrees.

Now it may be said, how shall the Equinoctials-distance from the Zenith, or from the Horizon, be found? Seeing it is but an Imaginary Circle, drawn out by the Pins of mans Imagination, and is invisible to the Eye.

It is answered, although that Observation cannot be made of the Equinoctial, (the Sun being an Imaginary thing) yet it may be made of any of the Caelestiall Bodies whose distance from it and the Poles is known, as the Sun or some of the fixed Stars, and then knowing their distance from it, (which is their Declinations) and so according as they are aboye or below the Equinoctial, the Addition, or Substraction, is made of the Sun or Stars Declination, to or from the Sun Complement of their Meridian-Altitude, (near their distance from the Zenith at Noon) and so is found the Equinoctials distance from the Zenith, which is the Latitude.

The same may be effected, by the Meridian Altitude of Sun or Star, considering as aforesaid, whether the Sun or Star be above or below the Equinoctiall; and so accordingly, to add or subtract the Sun or Stars Declination, to, or from the Meridian Altitude, (or their hight at Noon) and that sume is the hight of the Equinoctiall or Complement of the Latitude.

Note, that in North Latitude, if either Sun or Star be to the Southwards of the Zenith, and have North Declination, then are they above the Equinoctiall; and having South Declination, is below it, and so the contrary in South Latitude: for the Sun or Star, being to the Northwards of the Zenith, and having South Declination, is above the Equinoctiall, and having North is below it.

Likewise; the Sun or Star may be on the one side of the Zenith, and the Equinoctiall on the other, and this (as to the Sun) is within the Tropicks: or in places near the Equinoctiall, when the Declination exceeds the Latitude: In this case, the Sun or Stars distance from the Zenith, being

at the Meridian; is subtracted from their Declinations; and the remainder is the Latitude, which shall be spoken to in due place.

Likewise, within the Artick, or Antarctic Circles, if the Suns Meridian Altitude be observed below the Pole, then add the Suns distance from the Pole (which is the Complement of the Suns Declination) to the Meridian Altitude, and that sum is the Poles-height, or Latitude.

If you observe the Sun or Star in the Zenith, then the Declination either Northly or Southerly, is the Latitude of the place.

If the Sun or Star have no Declination, then the Complement of their Meridian Altitude (or distance from the Zenith at Noon) is the Latitude, if they be on the Meridian in the South, the Latitude is Northerly, and if North, Southerly.

First Example, Admit you are at Sea, and the Sun being upon the Meridian in the South is 37 degrees 30 minutes, distant from the Zenith, at the same time hath 20 degrees 00 minutes North Declination, is demanded the Latitude?

The Operation. deg. min.
 Complement of the Meridian 90. 00.
 Altitude, 37. 30.
 The Suns Declination North,
 being added, 20. 00.
 The Latitude of the place, North. 57. 30.

Here you see, that the Complement of the Meridian Altitude (or the Suns distance from the Zenith at Noon) being added to the Suns distance from the Equinoctiall, (or the Suns Declination) that sume is the distance of the Equinoctiall Southwards from the Zenith, or the Latitude Northerly, being 57 degrees 30 minutes.

A second Example, Admit, being at sea, the Sun being on the South-part of the Meridian, 90 degrees 30 minutes distant from the Zenith, and the Declination 20 degrees 30 minutes South, is demanded the Latitude of the place.

The Operation. deg. min.
 Complement of the Meridian 90. 00.
 Altitude, 30. 30.
 The Suns Declination South, 20. 30.
 Subtracted, 10. 00.
 Latitude of the place, North. 50. 00.

Here

Here you see, that the Sun's Declination being subtracted from the Complement of the Meridian Altitude; (or the Sun's distance from the Zenith at Noon) and the remainder is 50 degrees 00 minutes the Equinoctial's distance Southwards from the Zenith, or the Latitude Northerly.

A third Example, Admit a ship at sea and the Sun upon the south-part of the Meridian, 10 degrees 00 minutes distant from the Zenith, the Declination being 20 degrees 00 minutes South, is demanded the Latitude.

The Operation
The Sun's Declination Southerly 20. 00
The distance from the Zenith, or,
Complement of the Meridian Altitude, 10. 00
The Latitude South, 10. 00

Seeing the Sun's Declination exceeds the Complement of the Meridian Altitude, therefore I subtract the Complement of the Meridian Altitude from the Sun's Declination and there remains 10 degrees 00 minutes, the distance of the Equinoctial North-wards from the Zenith, or the Latitude Southerly.

A fourth Example, Suppose the Sun's De-

clination

declination were 20 degrees 30 minutes South, and the Sun, upon the North part of the Meridian; distant from the Zenith, 35 degrees 30 minutes, is demanded the Latitude? The Operation deg. min.

2. The Complements of the Meridian

Altitude,	35.	30.
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The Suns declination South added,	20.	30.
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The Latitude South.	56.	00.
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Here I add the Suns Declination, to his distance from the Zenith at Noon, and that summe is the Equinoctialls distance Northwards from the Zenith, or the Latitude Southerly, being 56 degrees 00 minutes.

3. A fifth Example. Suppose the Suns distance from the Zenith, upon the North part of the Meridian, to be 38 degrees 20 minutes, having at that time, 10 degrees 10 minutes North Declination, is demanded the Latitude?

The Operation	deg. min.
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3. The Complement of the Meridian

Altitude,	38.	20.
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The Suns Declination North		
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substracted,	10.	10.
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The Latitude South,		
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28.	10.
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The Suns Declination being substracted from the distance, from the Zenith at North, and there remains 28 degrees 10 minutes, bearing the Equinoctials distance Northwards from the Zenith, or the Latitude Southerly.

A sixth Example, Suppose the Suns Declination were 20 degrees North, and the Co. Altitude 13 degrees the Sun being upon the Meridian in the North, is demanded the Latitude?

The Operation

deg. min.

The Suns Declination Northerly, 20 00
The Co. Altitude, or Zeniths distance, 13. 00
The Latitude of the place, North. 7. 00

Seeing the Suns Declination is greater than the Complement of the Meridians Altitude, therefore, I subtract the Co. Altitude, from the Suns Declination, and there remains 7 degrees 00 minutes, the distance of the Equinoctial South-wards from the Zenith, or the Latitude Northerly.

A seventh Example, Admit a Ship at Sea, and the Sun being upon the North part of the Meridian, below the Pole, his Meridian Altitude being 8 degrees 10 minutes, the Suns Declination being that day 23 deg. 00 min,

demanded the Latitude?

The Operation.

deg min.

The Meridian Alt. below the Pole, 8. 10.

The Complement of the Declination, 67. 00.

The Elevation of the North Pole. 75. 10.

Here I add the Suns distance from the Pole,
(or Complement of the Declination) to the Me-
ridian Alt that sume is 75 degrees 10 min-
utes, the Poles hight, or Latitude of the place.

This last Question might have been resol-
ved, by the Complement of the Meridian Al-
titude, by adding the Suns Declination to
the Complement of the Altitude, and sub-
tract that sume from 180 degrees, and the
remainder is the Elevation of the Pole.

If you would find the Latitude and Suns
Declination, by the two Meridian Altitudes
of the Sun in one day, then add the Com-
plements of both Meridian Altitudes toge-
ther; and half that sume is the Complement
of the Suns Declination, (or his distance
from the Pole) the which being added to
the North Meridian Altitude below the Pole
and that sume is the Poles hight or Latitude.

For Example, Admit there be one at
who found the Suns distance from the

Zenith, or Complement of the Meridian Altitude) being upon the South part of the Meridian, to be 53 degrees 10 minutes, and the same day, being upon the Meridian, in the North, was 82 degrees 20 minutes distant from the Zenith, is demanded the Latitude, and Suns Declination:

The Operation	deg.	min.
The distance from the Zenith upon the Meridian in the South,	53.	10.
The distance from the Zenith, upon the Meridian in the North	82.	20.
The sume of both, is	135.	30.
The half sume being the Complement of the Suns Declination,	67.	45.
The North Meridian Alt. added,	7.	40.
The Latitude North.	75.	25.

The Complement Altitude of the Sun, either part of the Meridian being added together, amounts to 135 degrees 30 minutes, the half of which, being 67 degrees 45 minutes, is the Complement of the Suns Declination (or his distance from the Pole,) to which is added the North Meridian Altitude 7 degrees 40 minutes, gives 75 degrees 25 minutes for the Elevation of the North-Pole: so

if you subtract the Suns distance from the Pole, being 67 degrees 45 minutes from 90 degrees, the remainder will be 22 degrees, in 15 minutes, the Suns distance from the Equinoctiall, or his Declination.

What hath here been delivered in these Rules, concerning the Suns being upon the Meridian as to obtain the Latitude, the same is to be understood of any Star, whose Declination is known: As for working an Observation, by the Meridian Altitude of Sun or Star, I have touched it a little here before, I leave the rest to your own practice.

C H A P. X X I I.

To know whether Sun or Star will rise or set in any Latitude.

If you would know, whether the Sun or any Star will set or rise in any Latitude, take these following hints:

If in North Latitude, the Suns Declination Northerly, exceed the Complement thercof, then the Sun sets not at that time, in that Latitude. And so consequently, if the Suns Declination Southerly, exceed the Complement of

the *Latitude*, then the *Sun* riseth not at that time in that place : Also, what ever the *Suns Declination Northerly*, exceeds the *Complement* of the *Latitude*, so much is the *North Meridian Altitude* below the *Pole*; Lykewise what ever the *Suns Declination Southerly*, exceeds the *Complement* of the *Latitude*, so much is the *Sun* below the *South Horizon* at mid-day : the same is to be understood with the *Fixed Stars*, and if in *South Latitude*, the contrarie. Having premised these things, I come now to practise.

Let the *Latitude* be 74 degrees 00 minutes and the *Suns Declination Northerly*, 20 degrees 00 minutes, is demaunded the *Suns Meridian Altitude* below the *Pole*? Here the *Suns Declination*, exceeds the *Complement* of the *Latitude* 4 degress, so Argue, the *Sun* will be 4 degrees high at the *North part* of the *Meridian* below the *Pole*. Lykewise, if the *Suns Declination* had been 20 degrees *Southerly* in the forelaid *Latitude*, then the *Sun* would be 4 degrees below the *South part* of the *Horizon* at mid-day.

The *Question* will be now, how long tymc the *Sun* continueth above the *Hor-*

zon in the foresaid Latitude and setch not : and also, how long time the Sun continueth below the Horizon and ryse h not :

To resolve this Question, First consider, what is the Complement of the Latitude, which in this Question is 16 degrees ; then look into any ordinary Callender, or Navigation Book, wherein is the Tables of the the Suns Declination, and look what day of the Moneth the Suns Declination (being increasing Northerly) is 16 degrees, (or near it,) and remark that day of the Moneth, and then look again for the same Declination, when it is decreasing, and likewise, remark that day of the Moneth, Argue then the Sun will not set in all the time betwixt the two aforesaid found dayes. Likewise, if you would know the time wherein the Sun will not rise, then look into the Tables of the Suns Declination and see what day of the Moneth the Suns Declination (being increasing Southerly) is 16 degrees, (or near it) and remark that day of the Moneth ; then look again for the same Declination, when it is decreasing, and remark likewise that day of the Moneth,

Argue,

Argue then the Sun will not rise in all the time, betwixt the two aforesaid found dayes, which I shall hold out in two Examples.

The first Example, Admit the Latitude to be 74 degrees 00 minuts North is demanded how long time the Sun will continuall above the Horizon, and not set?

First, Look into the Tables of the Sun's Declination, for 16 degrees North Declination increasing, (or near it) and you will finde it, to be about the 24 day of April, for which day the Sun's Declination is equivalent to the Complement of the Latitude, and therefore cannot set. Then look again for the same Declination Northerly, being decreasing, and you will find it to be about the 29 day of July: Argue then the Sun will not set in all the time between the two aforesaid dayes, which is 96 dayes, that the Sun continueth above the Horizon and seteth not.

The second Example Let the Latitude be the same, is demanded how long time the Sun will continue below the Horizon and not rise?

First, Look into the Tables of the Sun's Declination

the inclination, for 16 degrees South Declination
 days on increasing, (or the nearest to it,) and
 poles you will find it to be about the 26 day of
 Bober, which day the Sun's Declination soas
 abundantly, is equivalent to the Complement of
 the Latitude, and therefore cannot rise.

Then look again for the same Declination
 Sun southerly decreasing, and you will find it
 to be about the 25 day of January. Now
 will consider the time betwixt the two dayes
 foresaid, and you will find it, to be 91
 dayes that the Sun continueth below the
 Horizon, and riseth not; so that in the La-
 titude of 74 degrees North, the Sun seteth
 not from the 24 day of April to the 29
 day of July: and also continueth below the
 Horizon, and riseth not, from the 26 day
 of October, untill the 25 day of January,
 so that at the Poles there is but one day,
 and one night, in all the Year.

Note, That when the Sun seteth not
 within the Artick Circle, then he riseth not
 within the Antartick Circle; so that, whilst
 it is day at the one end of the Earth, it is
 night at the other: And whilst it is Sum-
 mer at the one end, it is Winter at the
 other;

other? And when the Sun riseth to place, it setteth to their Antipodes, that, when we rise to our Labours, Antipodes goeth to rest, and when now, others do rep. O what Joy is to Contemplat the wonderfull works the Almighty GOD! to whom be eternall Praise, Amen,

F I N I S.

THE CAREFULL Sea-Man,

Containing severall most necessary
Points, of the *Sea-Man's Duty*,
both at *Sea*, and on *Shore*.

TOGETHER.

With a Dialogue, betwixt a *Skipper*, and a *Sea-Man*: Contain-
ing his Duty, belonging to *Taff*,
Taird, *Helm*, and *Lead*. &c.

By the foresaid Author.

ЛУЧШАЯ СЕМЬЯ

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у Павла Петровича Бородина
и Елизаветы Федоровны Бородиной
в селе Бородино.

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Бородинский, сын Павла
Бородина, родился в 1813 году
в селе Бородино, уезд Тульской губернии.
Отец его был крепостной рабочий.

Дядя Яков Бородинский

ЛУЧШАЯ СЕМЬЯ



The Carefull-Seaman.

T is the duty of every *Sea-man*, after he is once hyred, to waite carefully both Day and Night upon the *Ship*, in reference to the securing of her, whether in a *Road* or a *Harbour*; and to the taking in, and stowing the Merchants-Goods, and fitting the *Ship* to *Sea*, which three points, I intend to handle here particularly, as to the holding out a *Careful-Seaman's* duty in either of them: and then to hint at some things, which concerns his duty at *Sea*; for, I will not take upon me to tell all, lest I should weind my self in a labyrinth of discourse, and so should hardly be able to get out again.

First then, for securing the *Ship* in a *Road*. In the first place, consider what manner of *Road* it is, and then advise, which is the safest way to *Moare* in it: for which

I shall for Method sake, propone three sorts of Roads.

The first, let be a Bay having the Sea open, where is no Tyd-way : Suppose the second be a large Rive, or any other bounds upon the Sea-coast, where is the Tyd-way of Flood and Ebb ; and let the third be a narrow River : which three, I shall touch at particularly, in showing the feasabell way to Moare the Ship in either of them.

For the first, it is fit, that there be one Anchor to the Sea, (and that the best of the two) and the other towards the Shore. For the second, it is best to Moare as the Tide runs, one Anchor for the Flood, and the other for the Ebb, the best of the two, being always out towards that Art, where is farthest to the Weather Ship. For the third, (being a narrow River) the safest way, is to Moare crosst the River; soe that the Ship ryds betwixt two, either Flood or Ebb.

Note, That our ordinate Ships about an hundred Tunes, hath commonly four Anchors, which are thus named; *Bay-anchor*, *Ship-anchor*, *Small-anchor*, and *Knage*; com-

monly (though a thing indifferent) the best Anchor lyes on the Star-board bow, and the small-Bowar-Anchor before it; and the best Bowar-Anchor on the Lers-Bowt-side, and Kadge-Anchor be-aft it; and ordinarily, the Ship is Moored with the best-Bowar and small-Bowar-Anchors, having always the best-Anchor in readiness, as a reserve, from what may fall out.

Have a speciall care in Moaring the Ship, that your Anchors fall clear, so that the Cables be no wayes foul of the Armes and Stacks of them ; and that the Bouy-Ropes be clear of the Cables.

Of Cloathing or Serving the Cables.

The Ship being now Moored, the next duty of the able Sea-man, is to Cloath or Serve the Cables, first in the Mass, and all along the Bows; this cloathing (or service) is of length more or less, according to the greatness of the Ship, which must be of a good thickness in the Mass, or Grip,) and especially where the Cables ly cross the Steven. It is his duty also, to try and search, if there be any foul ground

ground betwixt the *Ship* and the *Anchors*, for, if there be, the *Cables* may incur great damage, and may also indanger Lives, *Ship* and all. The best way to help this is to bouy up the *Cables* with empty *Cask*, as near the *Anchors* as you can conveniently ; and once in the two dayes (or every day as occasion serves) to under-run them, and see how they are : Likewise, he ought to have the other part of the *Cables*, that are within boord, alwayes in a readiness to veer out.

Of a carefull Sea-man's attendance in a Road.

A Carefull *Sea-man* ought alwayes to keep the *Haws* clear, for if the *Cables* be twisted before the *Steven*, then you can neither veer out, nor take in, which is a great inconveniencie.

Also, he ought not to leave the *Ship* in a *Road*, without there be so many men left in the *Ship*, as to let the best *Anchor* fall.

A *Sea-man* ought not to leave the *Bullock*-*Port* open, whither in a *Road*, or any *Harbour*.

It is likewise the duty of a Carefull
Sea-man, to look after the winding, or
turning about of the Ship, whether it be
with the Wind or Tyde, that the Ship do
not girt, or be caught in the bought of
her Cables: for it is much to Anchors to
hold, when the Ships broad-side lyes either
to Wind or Tyde.

It is also his duty evening and morning,
or oftner if need require, to try the
pump, for Ship-sides are subject to gissen;
and may get thrusts and blowes, and may
happen to ly on the tops of old-pales,
and many other such like inconveniences
may befall her, when (may be) none of
the Ship expects it. For instance, two of
our own Countrey-men, the one at the
Bridges of Konnings-berg, in August, Anno
1676, where the water was above the
lower Tyre of Packs, before any man did
know of it. The second was in Danzick-
Road in June, Anno 1677, where hap-
pened to be the same: many other things
might be spoken, as to the attendance of
a Ship in a Road, but I leave it to your
own practice.

Of a Carefull Sea-mans duty, in a
Haven or Harbour.

In the first place, he ought to Moare his
Ship well upon three or four Towes, his
Judgement shall think fit, which Townes
ought all to be well cloathed (or ser-
ed) upon all places where they bear an
either upon the Ship, or on the Shore; com-
monly such cloathing or service, are pieces
of Canvas, or some other such like
thing: and is laid on tight and neat upon
the Tow, well made fast with knittell
and rop-yarnes, the reason why I speake
so much of this, is, because some of our
green-horne-Sea-men thinks it but a thing
indifferent, and sometimes over looks it; but
those that have been oft at Scairs-burgh
can tell you, that this piece of work
may be ranked amongst the best about the
Ship, for the ommitting of this duty some-
times there, may indanger Ship and Load
ing.

The Ship being now Moored, the next
thing is to fender well on both sides, if
necessity do so require; but beware of
hanging

4 hing over boord round buoys, or
such like pieces of wood, (as many are
apt to do,) for if such happen to beat be-
twixt two Timbers, it may do skaith, how-
ever the only best Fenders, are severall corlles
of old ropes in one buadell, lykewise
severall bunches of hoops are good, and if you
can make a Fender of any piece of Tree, let
it only sloping alongst the Ship side, that it
may haue a shalfe to lay upon the moar-Timbers.
like It is also the duty of the Carefull Sea-
man, that if the Ship be empty (or light)
beware how she lyeth betwixt two toads,
called Ships: if in a dry Harbour, keep them
both at a distance off: that your Ship
may haue room to take the ground, for Ships
are alwayes two or three foot broader at
the barkets, (or bindes) then they are
four or five foot below them; If in a Road,
keep at a distance, or fender well.

A Carefull Sea-man ought also to lay
(or make fast) the Boats in a convenient
place, that she be not indangered to be
broken betwixt ships, nor under-shain,
and to haue alwayes her Bars and Tholls in
readinesse.

A Sea-man ought also (whether in a ~~Roade~~^{Road}, or dry Harbour) to be caretull th^t Mi
all Casks, and others, that may happen wh
to be in the Howld, or betwixt Decks, or take
any other where; that they be well coin
ed and made fast in the place where they the
are, that they roll not over, the slothing O
of this duty, may some times bring the an
bung of a Cask where the bottom was of
and both it, and other things, may be in su
hazard of being broken.

He ought to try the Pump every Tyde,
at her rysing a-float, and a litle time be
fore she take the ground. Now having
spoken a little, as to a prudent Seaman,
in his attendance on the Ship, being in a Roade,
and in a Harbour, it will follow to treat of
those things that concerns him, in fitting
and right ordering the Ship, for the intaking
the Merchants-Goods, and stowing of them.

Of fitting the Ship for intaking the Merchants-Goods.

In the first place, it is his duty to notice
the Takles, that they be good, especially,
the Straps of the Blocks and Hooks, theri
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in after to hang those Takles right over the
Mid-Ship-Doors, or over any other Doore,
where the Goods are most conveniently
taken in, for which end, the Main-Yard
is commonly taken in A-long-Ships, and
the *Taikle* made fast thereto as aforesaid:
Or, a Rop past from the heads of both Masts,
and the *Takle* made fast in the bought thereof.
Likewise, he is to have in readinesse
sufficient Slinges and Can-Hookes, the which
the Goods are to be taken in with also it
were well done of the Carefull Sea-man (be-
fore any Goods goe aboord,) to lift all the
Durt-Broods, (or Limber Boords,) and to
clear all the Limber Holles, that the water
may have free passage to the Pump: and also,
to make clean betwixt the Floor-Bands, tak-
ing away all Durt, or Chips, and such like
things, as may Chock the Pump.

The next thing, is, to fit and prepare the
Ships-hould for the quality of Goods to be
taken in, and then to the Stowing of them;
the which for brevities sake, and to keep
Method, I shall treat of the severall, Car-
goes of Goods, under the Notion of Six
severall Qualities: To wit,

*First, Cornes, Seeds and Salt by the bulk, will
Secondly, Pack Goods.*

*Thirdly, Liquours, and Pickled Herrings, most
Salmon, and such like.*

*Fourthly, Of severall sorts of Merchand
Goods, as Casks, Packs, Boxes, Baskets, &c
and many other such like: both of divers
quantities and qualities.*

*Fifthly, Of Iron, Lead, and such-like
things of great weight.*

*Lastly, Of Trees, Planks, and such-like.
Although there be but a few, of the
severall parcells of Goods transported in
Ships, notwithstanding the Reader, when
informed of fitting and ordering the Ships
Howld, for the severall Parcells and Pieces
of Goods foresaid, and the stowing of
them: he may learne by Consequence, the
ordering of other such-like.*

of Cornes, Seeds, and Salt by the Bulk.

If the Loadning be of *Cornes, or Seeds,*
then the fitting and ordering the Ships-Howld,
is the maine busines: for these Goods stow-
eth of themselves.

The fitting and ordering the Ships-Howld,
will

will be in four severall pieces of work.

First, consider if your Ship will require most Charge, (or Kiltage,) and accordingly, more or less to provide it; and lay it neatly upon the Bottom. Secondly, fit your Bug-dellen, which is a mean to preserve the Goods from Bilge-Water: this Bug-dellen is of hight from the Bottom more or less, according to the bigness and condition of the Ship; ordinarily, some part, or all the Kiltage, is put under it. Thirdly, when you are to make the Ship as close and tight as in the Howld as possibly you can, the slighting of this duty, hath many times endangered all. Lastly, to fix your Stellings Fore and Aft, one upon each side, a like distance from the middle, four or five foot betwixt them, are commonly four or five Deall depth, more or less, according to the bigness of the Ship; be sure to fill up betwixt the Balks.

If your Loadning be of severall sorts of corns and seeds, then you must make Bulk-heads cross the Ship, in manner of a partition-wall, to keep the one Grain from the other.

It is ordinary ; to lay the weightier
Grain after in the Ship.

Likewise, it is necessarie to cloath all
the Bowes and sides of the Ship with Ben-
tells, or Matts of Strae ; for the better
preservation of the Goods.

If the Loadning be Salt, then all the
Provision is , a Bog-dellen as aforesaid.

The Carefull Sea-Man ought also to sh
keep the Ship alwayes by the Stern while
she is Loading ; for, when it is feasably
intended , that thus , and thus , Goods are
to ly before the Mast , and such and such
Goods Be-Aft it . in the mean while , the
Goods that are to ly before the Mast comes
thronging in , and the Goods that are ordi-
nained to ly After in the Ship comes not in
by such means , the Ship may be brought to
by the Head , so that the Pump can help
little or nothing , and the Goods before
the Mast may be in danger of under-
water . I had Experience of this , in April
Anno 1668. in the Road of Lisbon ., where
was a Room kept in the Ship Be-aft the
Pump for Salt , in the mean while . the o-
ther part of the Loadning (being Suggar)

richtime thronging in, so that the Ship was brought by the head for two dayes, in which allme, by under-water, was damage of Ben-~~0000~~ 0000 pound of Suggar, which cost me etern name of damage as a Sea-man three pound sterlinc. This Inconveniencie ought thereto to be shuned in livering the Ship, so that, whether Loadning or Livering, the to ship ought alwayes to be kept by the Stern.

Of Pack-Goods.

The fiting, or ordering the Ships-Hamld, such for this Loadning, is in two severall pieces the of work.

First, to provide most Charge (or Kil-
onage .) if the Ship so require, but whether
she require it or not, there is a necessity
for something to ly betwixt the Ships-bots
and the Packs, about fyve or six inches
thick, more or leis, according to the big-
nes and condition of the Ship.

Secondly, to lyne (or cover) the Ships-
sides with pieces of thin Plankes, or Bar-
rell. Staves, or such-like, to keep the Packs
from touching of them. These that Lo-
aden Flax and Hemp within the Spund, or-

1975 The Carefull Boar-Master
earstly lines all their Ships-sides Fore and Aft,
with white Planks, making always the gun-
pier edge of the lower-most Planks, vpp. on
the now most wedge of the other, which
carrieth the drop to the Ship-sides. Since
there your Leading the Flax by Hand
you will provide a winding Stake; or
two or three paires of Stroves. To an
of the Rowing of these Goods would
but tedious, for experience in this, (as in
all other things,) is the best teacher; not-
withstanding, I shall hint at two or three
points of this work, which may give some
insight to the rest. Know, that ordinarily
the greatest Packes ly betwixt the Main-Way
and the Pump, (I understand here these to
have the Pump a great way be. After the Main-
Way for thicke the Ship is commonly
deepe, the small Packes before the Main-
Way and above the Peik; and all along the
Ships-sides. Your Rowing also begins al-
wayes at the Ships-sides, every Part at the
end of another, leaving always the floore
to be in the middle of the Ship. And
of Liquors. The fitting and ordering the Ships-Ham-

or this Cargo, is but little, save only the
providing of Kilage, if she require it; and
so for the stowing of these Goods, note
these four points. First, lay all the
greatest Casks upon the Ships bottom, leav-
ing the smallest Casks to lie above them,
and to be put in places where others can
not go. The Second is, to stow every Cask
right upon. The Third point, is to
cove well, that they fetch no way at sea.
The Fourth is, to remark that every Cask
be tight when it cometh in, and if it be
found leaking, to set it by, and acquaint
the Skipper and Merchant of it. If the
Lading be Pickled Herrings, Salmon, or
such like, then the stowing of them is
much like the other, only some Bilge
Casks, where the Bilge of one Cask is
ordered to tryt with the ends of two other,
which maketh near stamage.

of severall sorts of Merchant Goods

All that is to be spoken here of fitting
the Ships Hold, is to provide Kilage, if
the Ship require it; which Kilage may be
stowed amongst the Goods at the bottom,

and so hinder no Lastage.

In stowing of such Parcells of Goods pack consider these things following: First, all above great Casks of Liquor, and other Casks of Spice Goods, weighty as Liquor, are all to be bound set upon the bottom of the Ship. Then other Casks of a second size to ly above them, or upon the bottom, if there be bullock room; The Packs and Fardells in a Tyre will cross the Ship, above theforesaid Casks which as also, the slender Dry-Ware-Casks, Boxes, Loops and Bags, in a Tyre together. The Baskets, slender Boxes, Kinkins, and Eighties, may dates, to ly here and there in places where they may not be indangered by any weighty thing; and as I said before, seeing most Ships requyreh to be deepest by the Stern, it will be necessarie that all the weightiest Goods ly Beside the Mast.

A prudent *Sea-man*, ought not to stow any Cask of Goods, that is subject to damage by water, (though great and weighty,) near the Bidge of the Ship. Likewise, he ought not to lay any Pack, Fardell, or, Bag of Dry-Ware-Goods near the Ships-side, except there be something betwixt

wixt as aforesaid, with the Loadning of
ody Pack-Goods. Also, if such Goods be laid
above *Casks of Liquor*: he ought to lay
pieces of Boord, or such like, betwixt the
beings of the *Casks* and them. Neither
ought he to lay any slender Box, Basket,
or such like thing, betwixt two *Casks* of
bulk and weight. It is also a *Sea-man's*
wisdom to keep out from under the Doores
when the *Takles* are using, either at the
Loadning or Livering of the Ship.

And Lastly, a *Sea man* ought not to rum-
mage the *Howld*, and turne over the Mer-
chants-Goods with a *Candle* being alone,
neither ought he at any time to stick the
Candle upon the *Ship's-side*, or upon any
Cask or *Box*, (as many are apt to doe;) for
in so doing, he may indanger *Ship & all*.

A sad Example I did see of this in El-
sinore-Road, in August Anno 1677: for a
Country-Man of Ours, being loadned with
Iron, Tar, Flax and Hemp; the *Master* with
some more of the *Company* being *A-shore*,
the *Ship* there being but one Man and a Boy *A-boord*,
which went down in the *Howld* with a ligh-

red Candle; for some particular end; and
being somewhere about the Pump (it was
said,) did let the Candle alight; how-ever the
Ship-Hornal was set on fire, and many
going A-board (before the flame had
ooke out upon the Deck,) did cut the
Cable, and run the Ship A-shore; load with
standing, there was but little of either Ship
or Goods saved. O! what unthought of im-
conveniences may the Womb of one day bring
forth? said this to himselfe.

of Iron, Lead, or such-like.

As for fitting the ships-Hornal for their
Loadning, know, that it is an old practice
at Stock-Noblem, (where much Iron is brought
from,) to hight the ship in the Hornal down
or three foot with Deats and Wood, and
then to lay the Iron above that; many by
Experience can tell (that this may in shal-
ling in the Loadning, strains under the ship
downward, as when the Loadning lyeth
softly upon the Bottom, and it will be for-
given in reason) for, when the Loadning
rests upon the Bottom, so that the S-
ides of the Water without, will be for-

and four or five foot above the top of
the Loadning within, now this ship com-
ing to slinger at sea, whilst the swell of
the sea casteth Her to one hand, the great
weight below, brings Her quickly back
again, and being once set in motion, she
squares up it; for a long Rondel keeps
longer time in swinging to and froe, than
doth a shorter one. Some is of the minde,
that if the top of the Loadning within
board (be two foot or thereby below the
surface of the Water without, it is enough,
for which end, they not only raise the iron
aforesaid, but at every nyne or ten feet,
more or less, they cover the iron with
Balls; and this not only highes the iron
but binds it. A Loadning of Lead, or such
like, may be stowed the same way. The
Loadning being in, then you are to lay Bulks
above it, for keeping of it fast, three or four
more Beside the Mast, and as many Before
these Bulks must be cut exactly in length,
according to the breadth of the Ship at the
top of the Loadning, and well naged at each
end, with large nogs to the Ships side. A
man would hardly believe what work such
a bulke

a Loading will make, when the Ship comes up
two or three dayes to ly under a Main-sail or mok
Mizzen.

Of Trees and Planks.

All the preparation of the Hold, is to
provide Kiltage, (if the Ship require it,) the
which may be stowed at or near the bottom
amongst the Goods, & so hinder no Lastage.
The main point in stowing these Goods,
(whether Planks, Trees, or Deals,) is to
lay them all parallel to the Keel, I leaveth
rest to your own practice.

Now having hinted at severall pieces of
Duty, which concerns a Sea-man in the sever-
al works foresaid, it will follow, that
we speak something, as to his duty in fitting
the Ship to Sea.

Of fitting the Ship to Sea.

A Carefull Seaman, ought to employ
all the intervals of time, whilst a Load-
ing, in Rigging and fitting the Ship to Sea,
so that he, and the rest of the Company
(at the time foresaid,) be so employed,
in Splicing, Bending, Serving, Marling, and
scrapping.

ripping Masts and Blocks: in short, to
attend to the Standing and running-Rigging.
Blocks, Parlings, that all be good;
and as every mans hand is in the Dish, so
tribute in the Work. It is better to say ac-
tually, that it is good that we did thus & the
other, then to say, I wish we had done thus.

It followeth now, that we speak a little
of Seaman's-Duty at Sea, which I shall
do bold out here, in a Dialogue, betwixt a Skip-
per, and his intended Seaman; in hinting
some points of his Duty, belonging to
the, or Yard, Helm, and Lead.

Skip. Good-morrow Young-man, I
have remarked you these two or three dayes
in this place, and I perceive you are a
Seaman.

Sea. It hath been my Calling from my Youth.

Skip. May I be bold to ask you where
you live?

Sea. No boldness Sir, I live in Kirkaldy.

Skip. There are as able Seamen there,
in all Fife.

Sea. It is even with us, as with other
places, some good, some bad.

Skip. Are you hyred with any Man, or

The Carefull Sea-Man.

I am so go any Voyage :

Sea. No, I am at present free to occupe
a Voyage from you, or any other honest Man
that will imploy me.

Skip. A dog want two or three men
men, and could have them when I would
but the trueth is, that since the Caping
in our Land, we that are Shippers, are
beguiled with some, (we call Caper-bone
Seamen :) so that, we had great need
know him well whom we byre; for I must
speak it with regrate, there is some of them
that knows no more of the Sea, then a Shep-
herd; and others, that are indeed able Se-
amen, but are scarce Morall, as being given
to Loose-Handedness, Curseing, Smearing
Drunkenness, Whoredome, Haughtyng, and
Sleife; yet, and many other such vices, which
is the caule sometimes, that all these come
not home with us, that goeth out.

Sea. It is most true, all that you say, for
I have sailed with some, that upon the Shore
my selfe would have thought them able Seamen, but
coming in Sea, were scarcely worthy of the Hatches to ly upon: and whereas you speak of some
to be Loose-Handed, I have (to pass by other
things,)

The Carefull Sea Man.

things, I seen Seamen go vs boldly to the New
occupants-Liquor as it were their own, with the
Mastard in their mouth, We are not to carry
Poison thorow the Sea: and to bear some Car-
rying and Smearing; would make a Mans-Hair
bully stand over end. Others there are, that are
given to Drunkenness and Whoredome, than
what they gain sometimes in three or fourte Na-
tional Pounds, with great Labour and Toyl, they will
frankly spend it in thre or fourte dayes time on
New-Wine and Strange-Women. Some-
times are so Haughty, and given to Strife, that
there is no living with them if you say not as
they say; and if either Skipper or Merchant
will reprove them, (tho deserving,) then there
is nothing with them, but they'll go A-shore,
and if they can get but a Rope-Yarn, they'll
make a Cable of it, and bring the Skipper to
chargeable Law-sutes; but what shall I say,
that Compas which pointeth out the Course of
their Life and Conversation, was never touched
with the Lord-stone of the Gospell.

Skip. Truly you speak well. be your
Life and Conversation what it will, but O!
what miserable Condition is some of them
myselfe with at the Long-run: few of them

repareth the decayed Lands.

Sea. Ay, but they build a great many
Castles in the Air.

Skip. You are a very merry man I per-
ceive, I had rather have you to one of my ship-
Company, (if you be the man I thinke you
are,) then those that would leive me a great
dale cheaper; and if you and I can agree,
you shall be welcome to a part of my Voyage.

Sea. I thank you Sir, I am much obliedged To
you for your good Commendation.

Skip. Might I without offence question Sei-
you of some points of a Seamans-Duty, as
to Top, or Yard, Helm and Lead?

Sea. Very freely Sir, for I have ever
been willing to Learn.

Skip. In the first place, show me some-
things of a Seamans-Duty at Top and Yard, as
as in loosing the Sails, and furling them.

Sea. In loosing the Top-Sails, at his
first coming in to the Top, he is to loose the
Bowline-Bridles, and Cloves of the Sails; and
secondly, the Yards-Armes, (making the
Galkits all fast on the foreside of the Yard;) and
lastly, the body of the Sail, and so bears
it out. And in loosing the Low-Sails, he

begin at the Yards-Armes, and loose all
awards the Bilge, leaving aways the Bow-
line-Bridles without the Gloves of the Sall.

Skip. Which be the causes of the ships-
my steering, or answeing the Rudder.

Sea. The first, is her way, (or motion)
thorow the Water, or, the swiftness of the
Water After-out: a second is the Sails, for
the Aft-most Sails, (to wit, Main-Sail, Main-
Top Sail and Mizon,) brings Her to the
Wind, and the Head-Sails (to wit, Fore-
Sail, Fore-Top-Sail, and Sprit-Sail,) keeps
Her from it.

Skip. It would seem by your Answere,
that if a ship have no way thorow the Wa-
ter, she cannot answe the Rudder.

Sea. Excuse me Sir, a ship may have no
way thorow the Water, and yet may answe
the Rudder; as with ships riding at Anchor
in a Current or Tyde-way, by swift motion of
the Water After-out, they will answe the Rud-
der, as if they had way or motion foreward under
the Sail: but sure I am, that if the Water be still
withe ships side, the Rudder then is of no use!

Skip. Show me something of your know-
ledge, as in steering the ship clost by the

Wind, and upon a point of the Compasse.
Sea. In steering the ship by the Wind, we are to have an Eye always to the Main-
Thaine, and to the Weather-Sail, keeping
always the Wind about half a point on
Afterside thereof; if in a close Steerage,
if it be darke-Nights; we have then ordain
one of the Watch to tell us, and reme-
the same by the Compasse. If to steer the
upon a point of the Compasse, and it be
open-Steerage, (where we can behold the
tion of the ships-head,) we are to have
good Eye Fore-out, and now and then to
Compasse; a good Eye I say, in perceiv-
(by the Celestiall-Bodies, the Sky, or
Water,) the swift motion of the ships-head
to this hand, or that; and accordingly, to put
ween Her with the Helm: but if it be in
close-Steerage there is no help, but a good
Eye always to the Compasse, and a good
Eye to the Man that Conds.

Ship. What be the marks of the Hand-
Lead-Line, and how used?

Sea. The Hand-Lead-Line, (which
diancely is twenty fathom,) is marked
five Marks, to wit, the Thrid, the Ten-

fifteenth Fathoms, marked with Leather,
the fifth and seventh is marked with Red and
white Cloth: our place (or station) in using
this Lead, is always in the Weather-side,
particularly in the Main-Chains with a Broad-
side, and in casting it out, we are always
to keep a Taught line.

Q. What be the marks of a Sounding-Lyne, and how is it used? at sea. The Sounding-Line, (which is
nearly an hundred Fathom long,) is marked
at every ten Fathom, (by a peice of Sain-
tine set into it) with a Knot, to wit,
at ten Fathom there is one Knot, at twenty
Fathom there are two Knots, at thirty Fathom
there are three Knots, and so consequently of
the rest; and into the midst betwixt every
Marks foresaid, there is a small Knot,
signifying five. In using this Lead, as to
Bounding in deep Water at Sea, if the ship
lie by the Wind, (after the Lead is convoyed
amongst the Weather-side to the Cat-head,) I
bring the Fore-sail upon the Mast, and a
while before the ship hath lost her End-way,
cast out the Lead, with the ordinary word
mark. If the ship be Before the Wind,

The Carefull Seaman.

the said Lead is conveyed (as aforesaid)
along the side, which will be the Weather
maine when brought by the Lee; if deeper
water and stormy weather, then the Lead
conveyed as aforesaid, and also round the S
even, and is cast out as farre as possible up
the Lee-Bow.

Skip. You have answered pretty
to all these things, I will only ask you one
Question or two more, and I have done
that is, shew me the way how an
Seaman goeth to worke in waying the
in any Roade, and his Duty also at his
going out to sea.

Sead. If it be in a Road where there is
Room on both sides, and A-Stern, it is in
no great matter which way the ship be at
but if it be in a Road where is but little room
then there will be a necessity sometimes to
the ship so such a band, as the judgement
the experienced Seaman shall direct him: which
I shall shew you by one Example.

Suppose a ship be at Anchor in a Bay,
Creek, (where there is no Current or Tide
way,) with the Wind right in Head,
shore and shald water being all pretty near

Let boord-side, and A-stern; and she
when on sterboord; now when the ship is
way to go to sea, there is a necessary she
ast to sterboord, which is done thus. Im
time the Cable is Heaving (or Windings)
make loose the Head-sails, (to wit, the
Mizzen, and Fore-Top-sail,) and Brace
in A-Lerboord, and haul out the Roun
boord bowline of both; then loose the Main-
top-sail and Mizzen; and Brace in the Main-
yard and Main-Top-sail-yard A-sterboord;
fair Weather, hoist both Top-sails up;
if it be any Hatch of Wind, let them re-
main at the Cape, lest the Anchor leap too
(and put the Helm A-sterboord.)
the ship will be in a capacity to cast to
boord, when the Anchor is from the
ounds, and the ship cast aright; then hoist
Main-Top-sail, and haul out the Mizzen;
the Main-Top-sail being full, fill the Fore-
sail, and Fore-Top-sail. A-boord the Fore-
sack, haul ast the Fore-sheet, haul the Fore-
Top-sail, (and when the Anchor is at the
bow, if she require it,) loose the Main-sail
and set it, and so steer out. The ship then
coming to fair sea-room, the next Duty of

THE CAPTAIN'S DEAD-MAN.

The Able-Sea-man will be thos; first, who
will set the Barred-sails upon the Dore, before
the ship before the Mast; then take in the Fore-sail
and secure her in her proper place by the
Fore-hatches, and stow them upon the Bow, un-
less the shrowdes Fore-hatche be, below, T
above; else let the Fore-shrowds in the ship
of the Master's, Hell and make fast all Chayre
Cales and others, wher unto happen doth
smale Decks; above Deck, or any otherwh.
There be a few of the severall pieces of
belonging to the Able-Sea-man, as bring
out to him; but I remember of four things
that my Master once gave me by way of Ad-
vice the First is, That if the ship be going
in, or coming out in any River, (or
other Dead-Man's way) with a Pilot A man
to put an able man to the Helm, and no
ignorant Boy, (as many are apt to do)
but if any inconveniencie should happen
of the ship coming on the Ground, she
may pretend, that it was thorow default
that One at the Helm, who did not av-
oided him.

The Second is, That if turning at any time
(especially in the night,) in a narrow

(or such like place) in company with
several ships, that if any ship be A-stern, or
a little over the Weathers Quarter, to call
them, or shew them a Signe, as to ac-
company them before we stay.

Thirdly; If sounding any time at sea,
especially in the Night; we ought to
choose well out, especially to the Weather,
Head and A-stern, for the ship at that
time, is not in a capacity to go out of the
way of any other, that may happen to
be sailing along.

The Fourth and Last is, When at Sea,
to suffer the one half Watch to go from
Deck, till the other be above; and if
any time, there be a man appointed to
wake out, he ought not to come from his
place; till another relieve him.



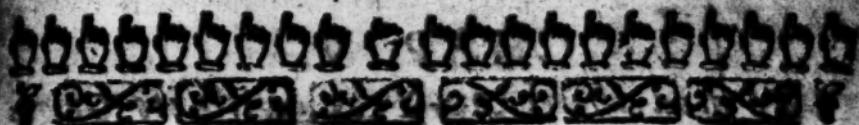
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